



A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PUBLIC
CHARTER SCHOOL NETWORK

School Reopening Updates

2021-2022



Our Vision for Fall 2021 Reopening



All public schools in Washington, DC will be fully open for in-person learning in the fall.



In person learning will occur full-time five days a week for all students.



All teachers will be back in schools teaching in their classrooms.



All school buildings will be safe and have strong health protocols in place. Schools will share robust plans with the city and their communities.



Schools will ensure they have staff, space, and other resources they need to accommodate all students.



We will continue to leverage virtual learning on a limited, as-needed basis.

FINALLY BACK
to SCHOOL!

Reopening Plan

We are opening SY 21-22 in person.

5 days a week for ALL scholars!

Prevent the spread & Plan for response to exposure

Maintain safety protocols until evidence requires we adjust.

Achievement Prep (K-3) Starts August 9th

AppleTree@Achievement Prep (PK3-PK4) Starts August 30th.

A virtual structure will be in place for necessary circumstances.



Our Journey Back to In-Person

Attention to District Guidelines + Community Needs

- Weekly calls with Deputy Mayor of Education and other city leaders remain
- DOH nurse consultant walked our building for personalized safety guidance
- Family and Staff Surveys from APrep

Attention to Operations

- Thorough facilities planning with external evaluation
- Adequate PPE for stakeholders
- Directional signs and stickers
- Additional inventory and precision planning around materials needed for proper execution
- Daily deep cleaning schedules and oversight
- Satellite space (aka "Isolation space") until parent arrives

Attention to Scheduling

- Meeting with ANC re: needs within the community
- Daily schedule that meets the needs of all stakeholders (includes Mindfulness moments and other trauma-informed practices),
- Prepared schedule accommodates the mandated needs, related services, push-in and pull-out support services for our STAR scholars.

Keeping You Safe!

Daily Systems:

- Daily affirmation of health status via ParentSquare app and temperature checks (100.4)
- Assigned entry/exit by cohort
- Staff, scholars and essential visitors ONLY
- PPE including Face masks (mandatory)
- Physical distancing (3 feet for scholars; 6 feet for adults; 6 feet for adults/scholars)
- Cohorting scholars and staff
- Sanitization and Cleaning protocols
- COVID-19 infections
- Facilities modifications as needed

Keeping You Safe!

In case of illness during the school day:

- Scholars exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms will be escorted to the Nurse for triage/testing (**requires parent consent**)
- Scholars admitted to and tested in the SWR will be sent home, regardless of the initial test results
- Staff exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms will be immediately sent home
- A positive test (for staff or scholars) will require the necessary Cohort(s) to quarantine
- If a parent/staff notifies Achievement Prep of a positive COVID test result at home, we will immediately notify DOH to launch contact tracing efforts as directed by DOH.
- Families will be notified if they or their scholar is close contact

Keeping You Safe!

Cleaning Protocols

- The Facilities Team will ensure that the buildings are cleaned, disinfected and sanitized **throughout the day and each night.**
- Teachers will receive guidance on cleaning curriculum and classroom materials
- We will adhere to a daily cleaning schedule, including regularly cleaning all surfaces and objects that are frequently touched (e.g., doorknobs, light switches, sink handles, countertops) by way of electrostatic spray cleaning and direct sanitizing wipe-downs
- We will perform a thorough deep clean and disinfection after every known infection
- We will observe required waiting periods before allowing re-entry into recently cleaned/disinfected spaces
- We will also use fumigation to kill airborne particulates that may be present in places that aren't touched, but could still harbor contamination.
- All cleaning products in use in our facilities have been mapped to the CDC/EPA registry for recommended chemicals.





Achievement Prep (K-3)

100% In-Person Program

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What does this look like for you?

- We are committed to closing learning gaps created during remote learning/ Pandemic.
- Our schedule will take reacclimation to school into consideration by including mindfulness moments, social skills, DREAM goal setting, interventions, and grade-level content.
- We will also have multiple opportunities for families to engage in-person, virtually, etc. for family events throughout the year.
- We will do WHATEVER IT TAKES...with YOU, to ensure our scholars learn!



Start Dates and Times

PreK3 - PreK4	Kindergarten - Third Grade
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Begins Monday, August 30, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Begins Monday, August 9, 2021.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00AM - 4:30PM• Wednesday 8:00AM - 12:30PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• August 9th - August 27th, M-F 8:00AM - 12:30PM.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each Scholar will receive all necessary materials at school (to include: basic school supplies, books, manipulatives, wellness items etc.)• School uniforms are required for in-person learning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each K-3 Scholar will receive a Chromebook;• Each K-3 Scholar will receive a materials bins at school with all curricula and wellness materials needed (to include: basic school supplies, books, manipulatives, wellness items etc.)• School uniforms are required for in-person learning.

Upcoming Events

PARENT ORIENTATION	TEACHER MEET & GREET
July 13th-14th	August 10th-11th
In-Person by grade for Social Distancing	



AppleTree @ Achievement Prep (PK3 - PK4)



What does this look like for you?

Schedule:

- Monday, August 30th, all scholars PK3-4 will report to school MTRF 8:00AM - 4:30PM and W 8:00AM - 12:30PM.

School Supplies:

- Each PK3/PK4 Scholar will receive a materials at school with all curricula and wellness materials needed to participate in learning (to include: basic school supplies, books, manipulatives, wellness items etc.)
- School uniforms are required for in-person learning. Our AppleTree Principal will reach out with more information about uniform requirements for PK3 and PK4.



What does this look like for you?

Learning Goals

- We will introduce new material with a focus on teaching the whole scholar, including social-emotional and academic learning
- We will host Orientation and Teacher Meet & Greet in August
- We will do whatever we can to ensure our scholars learn!

Daily Schedule:

- We will return to modified daily schedule for in person learning
- We have adjusted the schedule to allow for additional transition and handwashing time
- We will be including outdoor recess (weather permitting) with cleanings between cohort use



What does this look like for you?

Direct Support for Families:

- We will offer multiple opportunities to keep you informed about our return to in-person instruction, to include:
 - a. Week of August 23rd: Parent Orientation; Teacher Meet and Greet
- Regular check-in with teachers and communication between school and home.
- Per guidance from Mayor Bowser, distance learning will only be available in the 2021-22 school year to students who submit a [standardized medical certification form](#) completed by a licensed physician or nurse practitioner documenting a student's physical or mental health condition that requires distance learning.



Frequently Asked Questions

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Q. When is the first day of school for the 21-22SY?

Kindergarten - Third Grade begins Monday, August 9, 2021.

PK3-PK4 begins Monday, August 30, 2021.

Q. What is the regular school schedule starting August 30th?

Kindergarten-Third Grade

7:45 - 4:30 (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday)

7:45 -12:30 (Wednesday)

PK3-PK4

8:00AM - 4:30PM (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday)

8:00 - 12:30 (Wednesday)



Q. Will I be able to visit my scholar in school?

A. Unfortunately, no. We will continue to limit entry in to the building for visitors. However, we will employ creative ways to show you what is happening in your scholars' classroom regularly. We hope to resume our open door policy soon.

Q. Are school uniforms required?

A. Yes. Now that we will resume our in-person program, Achievement Prep will require scholars to wear school uniforms daily beginning the first day of school. Please see our updated uniform purchase form [here](#). Each K-3 scholar will be gifted two uniform polo shirts at Parent Orientation scheduled for July 13th and July 14th.

Q. Do I need to complete my health forms?

A. YES! Now, more than ever, are up to date immunizations necessary for safely returning to in-person instruction. DC requires all children enrolled in public schools to complete health forms, get vaccinated etc. In addition to notices you may have received from DC Department of Health, the school nurse will be contacting you if we do not have record of your annual vaccinations. Please make sure you submit all enrollment documents, including health records, per the directions received from our enrollment teams. Achievement Prep will offer in-person immunizations on June 16th and 17th, 1PM-6PM, on campus. Please join us!



Q. What learning options do you offer?

A. We are offering 100% in-person learning for our scholars for the 2021-22 school year as long as health conditions are deemed safe. Per guidance from Mayor Bowser, **distance learning will only be available in the 2021-22 school year to students who submit a standardized medical certification form** completed by a licensed physician or nurse practitioner documenting a student's physical or mental health condition that requires distance learning.

Q. How are we thinking about closing gaps given the amount of time lost?

A. Children across the country are bearing the impact of this virus academically and we must all do what we can to close gaps. All schools have been asked to address this issue with time associated with the school year. Rather than extending scholars' current school year or hold a few summer school days in the middle of the summer (which won't address the true academic and social need), we will begin school early. Doing so will enable scholars K-3 to 1) re-acclimate to school 2) Build relationships 3) Build independence through routines and celebrations 4) (Re)learn social skills and social-emotional skill lessons and 5) Introduce strong instructional behaviors that lead to learning



Q. How will Achievement Prep prepare parents for the transition back to school?

A. In addition to the reopening family webinars on June 11th and 14th, we will host in-person Parent Orientation on July 13th and 14th and Teacher Meet and Greet on August 10th and 11th. If you have special needs, please contact us at esremote@achievementprep.org.

Q. What school supplies do I need to purchase for my K-3 scholar?

A. Achievement Prep will provide a chromebook and supply bin for each K-3 scholar, even if there's more than one Achievement Prep scholar in the home. Families should not have to purchase any materials for instruction, however, if you are interested in enhancing what we'll provide, you may refer to our [school supplies list](#). Additionally, we will gift all K-3 scholars with two uniform polo shirts at Parent Orientation scheduled for July 13th and July 14th.

[Please complete this survey by June 30th with your scholar's shirt size!](#)

