



21st Century Reopening Plan UPDATE 7/22/2020

Quarter 1: All Virtual K-12

Dear 21st Century Families,

As we continue to prepare for the upcoming school year, we assure you that we are taking every precaution possible so that you and your families remain safe. **The safety and well being of all staff and students continues to be our top priority.**

We want to thank you for being diligent in getting us the information we need during this reentry planning process and appreciate your continued patience. We have also been in communication with local and state health agencies as they guide us through the re-entry process. On July 9th, the school board approved our 2020-2021 re-entry plan for the Fall. However, due to Lake County's rating of positive virus cases remaining above 10%, our plan for re-entry has been adjusted. **All students will continue to receive instruction virtually for the first 9-weeks of school. We will continue monitoring the conditions weekly and if we can get students in sooner, we will.**

We understand the severity of this decision and are prepared to deliver the same high-quality instruction to our students. **In the event that the positive cases of the virus begin to decline and we can ensure the safety of all students and staff, we will explore the option of returning to the initial plans to deliver instruction in-person sooner than 9 weeks.**

Likewise, we understand that all families' needs vary, and as some of our families have opted for all virtual instruction, this may be an inconvenient choice for others. Please know that ALL 21C STAFF WILL BE PRESENT IN THE BUILDING MONDAY-THURSDAY EACH WEEK DURING REGULAR SCHOOL HOURS. IN ADDITION, PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THEIR TEACHERS IN THE EVENT THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT FOR OFFICE HOURS/ ADDITIONAL SUPPORT. All appointments will of course be in accordance with all health and safety guidelines.

Our university partners have informed us that they are still planning to operate traditionally, offering face-to-face instruction with some of their courses. All 21C students enrolled in the Early College program are required to adhere to the universities' plans for re-entry.

We will be distributing chromebooks from the High School from 10:00 am to 6:30 pm the week of August 3rd through 7th. Parents will need to show Id and sign the 1:1 Policy in order to receive a device.

Below we have made available resources to assist you with your search regarding child care needs during this time.

Childcare Resources

- **Brighter Futures Indiana-** Call 1-800-299-1627 for a referral specialist that can support families in the search for childcare and funding.



- **Child Care Resource and Referral Agency (CCR&R)**- connects parents with local child care options and provides referrals for support. To find your local CCR&R you can call 1-800-299-1627 or go to <https://www.in.gov/fssa/carefinder/5712.htm>
- To check if the environment is licensed or regulated you can go to childcarefinder.in.gov or call 1-800-299-1627. <http://childcarefinder.in.gov/>
- [FSSA Child Care Guidance](#) (updated 4/06/20)
- [COVID-19 Guidance for Childcare Programs](#) (updated 7/3/20)

We continue to wish you and your family health and safety during this difficult time. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the building leadership team.

Sincerely,
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