

# ENSURING THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF OUR STUDENTS

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The purpose of this document is to communicate the key components and address concerns regarding student safety when Liguori Academy re-opens in September for the 2020-2021 school year. The plan that the school and our Board of Directors has adopted is in full compliance with the operational guidelines for schools from the [Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#) and the [Pennsylvania Department of Education \(PDE\)](#).

When the Coronavirus pandemic hit in March, Liguori Academy transitioned to a 100% virtual learning experience to ensure the safety of our students and staff. In the 2020 – 2021 school year, students have a choice between a 100% virtual learning model or a hybrid model to continue preparing for their future. We have outlined our plans below with a Health and Safety Plan, an example of a day at Liguori Academy, and an Academic Plan. We are living in unprecedented times, but Liguori is prepared to continue to uphold the mission as well as the core values to ensure our students receive a quality education and remain safe.



LIGUORI ACADEMY

# HEALTH + SAFETY PLAN

Liguori Academy has put in place a series of policies and procedures as well as appointed a Pandemic Coordinator and supporting Pandemic Response Team to ensure the health and safety of all of our students and staff.

## PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY

To ensure the safety of students and staff:

- A deep cleaning of building will be completed by a certified cleaning company.
- An enhanced ventilation system will be established.
- All staff and administration will receive health and safety training as well as Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) certified training.
- A plan instituted by the PDE of safety protocols for lunch delivery, hallway, and stairway traffic will be completed.

## SAFETY + CLEANING PROCEDURES

- Items and areas in the classrooms (desks, chairs, doorknobs, surface areas etc.) will be cleaned before students arrive and after they depart.
- There will be daily and hourly checklists for cleaning procedures.
- Bathrooms will be disinfected after each use and only one student will be permitted in at a time.
- Disinfecting of the building will occur daily.
- Monthly adenosine triphosphate (ATP) testing will be conducted as an extra measure of safety assurance.

## PERSONAL HYGIENE

- Hand sanitizer stations will be at the main entrance to the building and the entrance of each room.
- Frequent handwashing will be highly encouraged and required after the use of a restroom and prior to eating.
- No sharing of school supplies to ensure an extra layer of safety.
- Masks are required at all times for students and staff.
- Earloop Face Masks are **REQUIRED** at all times for students, staff, and visitors.
- FACE COVERINGS INCLUDING: Bandanas, scarfs, shields, shirts, etc. will not be permitted.

## VISITORS

- Must be approved by the Pandemic Coordinator – NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Must have their temperature taken and complete health survey prior to entering the building.
- Must wear a mask and practice social distancing regardless of age or grade range, while on school property
- Must follow all guidelines and regulations set forth by Liguori Academy, PDE & Department of Health, and the CDC.
- Persons unable to wear a mask will be asked to work with Liguori Academy by virtual means.



# A DAY AT LIGUORI

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Our new building features large classrooms with 15-foot ceilings and cross ventilation. Students will be staying with their assigned group throughout the entire school day with no more than 11 persons occupying a classroom or learning space.

## A DAY AT LIGUORI

- All persons entering Liguori Academy will be required to have their temperature taken and complete a health survey.
- Each person entering the school or on school property will be REQUIRED to wear a face as mentioned in the previous section.
- Students will participate in synchronous (live-streamed) learning at home.
- Students will continue to participate in community service opportunities.
- Seating charts, as well as sign-in sheets, will be used to monitor contact between students, staff, and visitors.
- Students will be assigned a seat by the teacher in each classroom, they enter.
- Students are prohibited to share their school supplies with others.

## SOCIALLY DISTANCED CLASSROOMS

- Desks and tables will be arranged in a way where all students are facing the same direction as per CDC guidelines.
- Bagged lunches will be brought to students in their classes to avoid unnecessary contact.
- The use of any communal space or congregating in hallways will be expressly prohibited. These spaces will be marked by signage.
- Masks and social distancing guidelines will apply when a person is on the sidewalks surrounding the school property.

## SCHEDULING

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Liguori Academy plans to divide students into groups based on their class (freshman, sophomore, junior, senior) with students in the building at 50% capacity. Each class will be divided into two groups: Group A and Group B.

### MONDAY + TUESDAY

Group A will attend in-person classes. Group B will participate via live-streamed classes.

### WEDNESDAY + THURSDAY

Group B will attend in-person classes. Group A will participate via live-streamed classes.

### FRIDAY

Fridays will be devoted to the following: remediation, virtual conferences, project completion, social-emotional growth, virtual internships, enrichment programs, and entrepreneurial virtual workshops.





# ACADEMICS + ACTIVITIES

At Liguori Academy every action we take is in union with our mission and core values. These core values set the ground work for how we plan to administer academics, social emotional learning (SEL), activities, and individualized learning for our students.

## OUR MISSION

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**“TO PREPARE OUR  
FUTURE LEADERS THROUGH  
INDIVIDUALIZED LEARNING  
IN A COMMUNITY THAT OFFERS  
BOUNDLESS OPPORTUNITIES.”**

“Thank you so much for last night’s meeting  
I feel much safer in hearing your plan of action.  
I haven’t heard a plan like that at other two  
children’s schools. Thank you so much!  
I’m excited for him to start.”

*—Liguori Academy Parent*

### TO TEACH WITH **INTENTION**

Our students matter to us. We have the flexibility from a technology standpoint to meet our students where THEY are in life. This includes having the following:

- A hybrid model of education which will allow students to work in school and at home.
- Virtual learning alternative is available for students who do not wish to attend in-person.
- The cloud-based Edgenuity Curriculum and Naviance (SEL).

### TO PRACTICE **EMPATHY + LEAD WITH LOVE**

During this pandemic, we understand that there are some concerns regarding our student’s overall well-being. We want our students to know we are here and prepared to assist with guidance during these times of uncertainty. We have an onsite guidance counselor available.

### TO CELEBRATE **INDIVIDUALITY**

We are here to meet our students needs by customizing a solution that best fits their needs while at the same time celebrating their differences. Liguori is the only school in the Philadelphia area to offer a pre-apprenticeship training program through a cloud-based learning management system.

### TO PROMOTE + FOSTER **COMMUNITY**

We work with our students to identify opportunities in which they can engage in community service and outreach projects because while we are practicing social distancing the human touch is important. We successfully conducted these types of valuable projects at the end of last school year and will continue to do so.