



**Lakeland Academy Community School
Plan for In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services
For the 2021-22 School Year**

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Overview for safe in person return to school:

Lakeland Academy is committed to returning all students to in-person instruction for the upcoming 2021-22 school year. While we will continue to closely monitor through the Harrison County Health Department, our Board and Staff believe the best place for our students is back in their classrooms. We will return to school on September 7, 2021 and plan to complete our full school year in-person. It is important that our students get back to a normal schedule and begin again with their emotional and mental routine. We look forward to returning our students with Special Needs and begin a strong year of growth and instruction under local, state and federal laws.

Our Plan to Incorporate Mitigation Strategies:

Lakeland Academy is determined to follow safety recommendations but also return to a "normal" school environment. We will closely work with the Harrison County Health Department and our local school district to stay apprised of any current health situations in our area.

- ❖ **Physical Distancing** - Lakeland Academy has purchased a new building in order to help with social distancing while we look forward to returning to our pre-covid environment.
- ❖ **Handwashing and Respiratory Etiquette** - Lakeland Academy will always emphasize the need for cleanliness and hand washing. Our hand sanitizers will remain throughout the building and using them will be encouraged. We will continue to be vigilant with "how" we cough and sneeze, our staff will continue to teach and monitor.
- ❖ **Cleaning and Maintaining Healthy Facilities** - During the summer we have painted and replaced our flooring to continue to offer the cleanest environment possible. We will continue to clean the school sites nightly and use our breaks to do extra cleaning. Our ventilation system is serviced regularly and filters are also changed regularly.
- ❖ **Contract Tracing** - Lakeland Academy will follow all recommendations from the Harrison County Health Department.

- ❖ **Diagnostic and Screening Testing** - Lakeland Academy will be vigilant to remind children who are fevered to stay home and consult with their physician should they become sick. If a child becomes sick at school we will follow policy and take a temperature, keep the child away from other students and call home.
- ❖ **Vaccinations** - Lakeland Academy will work closely with our local Health Department to ensure all staff and students are made aware of vaccination opportunities.
- ❖ **Appropriate Accommodations for Children with Disabilities with Respect to the Health and Safety Policies** - Lakeland Academy will follow all local Health Department recommendations when it comes to the safety of children with disabilities.

Plan to Address Continuity of Academic and Non Academic Services

- ❖ Lakeland Academy will continue to provide an educational environment that was pre covid. Our teaching staff has closely monitored progress for both in school and remote students throughout the 2020-21 school year. The plan for the upcoming year is through STAR assessments and testing to gain a clear picture of where students are academically and begin a better understanding of bringing all students “back” on track if they are not currently. We will continue to use the following to help us better assist our students and staff with those decisions:
 - Early Learning Assessments (KRA)
 - STAR
 - RIMP
 - Accelerated Reader
 - Curriculum Based Grade Level/Course Assessments
 - Progress on all IEP Goals
- ❖ Lakeland Academy will continue to monitor our Social/Emotional, Mental and Health Needs by working with our local Health Department and our local Mental Health Agency to provide services to our students as needed. These services will be made available to students at any such time that a need arises.
- ❖ Lakeland Academy will continue to provide ALL students with lunches should there be any child/children in need of food when we are both in and out of school.

PERIODIC REVIEW

- ❖ Lakeland Academy will review this plan twice a year, August and January and provide the Board of Education with an update on any changes to this plan through the year 2023. If revisions are needed they will be documented and Board approved following the recommendation.

PUBLIC INPUT

- ❖ Lakeland Academy will post this plan on our website and welcome any input from the public via email to the Administrative Assistant.
- ❖ Lakeland Academy will make revisions to the plan after any changes and Board approval of those revisions. The revisions will also be posted on the schools website.