

Dear LISG Community,

As you are probably aware, the Governor has approved the opening of schools with a specific guidance and standards for counties. I released the draft of our plan to you a few weeks ago. It is also enclosed with some revisions/modifications/clarifications. Please know that it is a living document that is revised as needed when local, state, and federal guidelines are released.

There are many approaches to reopening schools, and I respect all school leaders as they navigate unchartered territories. Leaders need to do what is right for their population while considering the safety of their population. There were many tough decisions to make and because we cannot guarantee that the school will be COVID-free, decisions are hard. I have worked with the Board of Trustees, Administration, and Staff on a plan that we believe will work for LISG.

***First and foremost, know that you have an option to be on campus or remain online.*** Do what is right for your family. Whatever you chose, we will be ready with the acceleration program we are known for on Long Island. We will be nimble and ready to shift to a full remote program with no break in the calendar should the need arise. We are a part of the Long Island Region and must adhere to the rate of infection of less than 5% on a 14 day average.

Please let us know how you will return to school by emailing Mrs. Osborn ([josborn@lisg.org](mailto:josborn@lisg.org)). Simply state: **Remote or On Campus.**

The safety of your children and the LISG staff remains paramount so the calendar has been adjusted for the first few weeks of school in order to stagger the entry of grades. Staggering schedules will help us train the children in a less populated environment.

Everyone starts school on 9/9 (remote) with limited grades on campus so that protocols and procedures can be practiced in small cohorts. This way, when the entire LISG family is in the building, we will have mastered the pandemic/safety protocols.

Note that if your child's grade is not on campus, they are remote until their admittance date.

Everyone begins learning on September 9th, online or on campus! Schedules for grades 4-9 will be emailed by 8/15.

### **STAGGERED SCHEDULE FOR OPENING**

**Wednesday, 9/9: WELCOME: Kindergarten and Grade 1 on campus!**

**Grade 2-3: Remote for today.** Parents will receive details for their children to meet the teacher online and discuss the procedures and the online schedule for tomorrow.

**Grade 4-9 Emails will be sent to parents (and the email of your child(ren) so that you can meet your teachers and learn the procedures until you are on campus.**

**Thursday, 9/10: Kindergarten, Grade 1 on campus only.**

**Grade 2-3: Remote for today.** Parents will receive details for their children to meet the teacher online and discuss the procedures for tomorrow!

**Grade 4-9** Emails will be sent to your LISG account so that you can meet your teachers and learn the procedures until you are on campus.

**Friday, 9/11: Kindergarten, Grade 1; **WELCOME: Grade 2, Grade 3 on campus!****

**Grade 4-9** Happy online learning.

**Wed, 9/16: **WELCOME: GRADE 4!****

**Lower School (K-3) and GRADE 4 on campus.**

**Grade 5-9 remain online.**

**Monday, 9/21: **WELCOME GRADE 5!****

**Lower School, Grade 4 and 5 on campus.**

**Grade 6-9 remain online.**

**Wednesday, 9/23: **WELCOME GRADE 6!****

**Lower School and Middle School (Grades 4, 5, 6) on campus.**

**Upper School (7, 8, 9 remain remote)**

**NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, 9/28: YOM KIPPUR**

**Tuesday, 9/29: **WELCOME: UPPER SCHOOL, GRADES 7-9!****

**All Lower and Middle School Students on campus.**

**Everyone on campus, if you choose!**

Please open the attached file. It is the final Reopening Plan for LISG.

I will invite you to parent Town Hall meetings in the next two weeks.

Until we meet again, be well.

*Dr. Geyer*