



Pierre Laclade Junior Career Academy

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Greetings Pierre Laclade Community -

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the new and adventurous 2021-2022 school year. My hope is that your summer was well rested and filled with fun activities, for you certainly deserved it. Last year, as a school community, we committed to unifying our strengths in effort to champion through learning in the midst of a global pandemic. As the building principal, I could not be more grateful and proud of the accomplishments achieved by our school community and stakeholders. One of our main goals this year is to maximize our students' learning experience by creating an environment that promotes high quality academic expectations while supporting their social and emotional well-being.

As we embark upon this school year, we are committed to providing safety while delivering the best instruction and learning experience. Please find below pertinent updates that will answer many of your questions for the coming weeks:

- **School starts on Monday, August 23, 2021 for all grade levels.**
- **Bell time:**
 - **School start time: 8:05AM**
 - **Dismissal time: 3:02PM**
- **All learning will be in-person.** Virtual learning is available through Edmentum.
- Provident Health will provide after-care from 3:00-5:30PM. Applications can be retrieved in the main office at the school building.

Return to School:

- Social distancing and COVID-19 safety protocols will be in place.
 - All students **MUST** wear a facemask. (Please send your child to school with three masks, with the understanding that one will remain in the classroom, one on their person and the other on their face. Extras are in place as a precaution.)
 - Students will be screened with the asking of the following questions.
 - Do you have a cough?
 - Have you been around anyone sick?
 - Temperatures will be taken. (Those students who have a body index of more than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit will be sent home.)
- Students will receive breakfast in the classroom.
 - Upon arrival, after health screening/temperature check, students will report directly to their classroom. School personnel will be on hand to assist children in finding their respective classrooms.
- To stay in the realms of procedures for social distancing, parents and visitors will not be allowed in the school without an appointment.
- Lunch will be eaten in classrooms. Parents who opt to send lunch with their child, are asked to refrain from bringing allergen foods such as nuts, shellfish and strawberries.
- Recess and brain breaks will be scheduled.
- Students will only mingle with their classmates in a manner that complies with our social distance guidelines.

- Bus information: You will receive location information for pick-up and drop-off in the mail.

Arrival:

- All students arriving via school bus will enter the building at **Door #7** for screening.
 - Masks must be worn.
 - All students will enter from the Goodfellow street through door #7 (The door by the gymnasium).
 - Due to the limited space in cars getting on/off the parking lot, we ask that parents pull up to the curb on the Goodfellow side.
 - There will also be signage to remind you.
 - All walkers will enter through door #7. Bus riders will continue with the traditional drop-off and through door #7.

Dismissal:

- Bus riders will be dismissed from their classroom.
 - It is the expectation that students are social distancing.
 - Floor decals will be on the floor to assist in reminding our students to social distance.
- School personnel will assist in walking bus students to their appropriate bus.
- Students being picked up:
 - Parents will park on Maffit Street in front of the playground.
 - Students will exit door # 5 to meet their parent on the playground.
 - Students will not be allowed to walk to the car without the accompany of an adult to ensure safety.
- Students participating in the aftercare program will assemble in the afterschool room.

Late Arrivals:

- Please call the school to let us know that your child will be arriving late with the time to expect them.
- Late arrivals will need to sign in and be screened by school personnel.
- Students are to report directly to the main office to receive a tardy slip and then report to class.

Early Dismissals:

- We are aware that there are times when situations occur; however, we ask that you allow your students to remain for the duration of the school day, unless it is an emergency.
 - If such should occur, please contact the school secretary with the exact time of arrival so we can take the necessary precautions to ensure that you retrieve your child and that we are following guidelines.
- Early dismissals will not be honored after 2:30PM.

As we work to navigate our new realities, I commend our school community for its commitment to continuing in Changing the Narrative and we look forward to welcoming our scholars.

Awaiting our adventure,

Dr. DaMaris A. White
Principal