



**Safe Reopening Plan & Procedures
Fall 2020**



St. George Greek Preschool holds the health and safety of students and staff as an utmost priority. Therefore, the following measures will be implemented for the 2020-2021 school year:

Enrollment Requirements

- Children entering the program for the first time or re-enrolling must have immunization records which meet the guidelines of the Maryland Department of Health.
- Each child must have at least one dose of each vaccine appropriate for the child's age and a schedule to complete required immunizations.

Ensuring Social Distancing

- Classes include the same group of children each day with no mixing, or very minimal mixing, between groups.
- Keeping children in small groups.
- Low Student-Teacher ratio.

Class	Ratio
2 years	8:1
3 years	10:1
4-5 years	12:1

- No large group activities, assemblies, gatherings.
- Students will primarily be seated in individual student desks.
- Space out seating and bedding (head-to-toe positioning).
- Staggered recess time.
- Staggered gym time.
- More outdoor classes when practical.
- Snack and lunch breaks will occur in student classroom.
- Restricting outside visitors and volunteers.
- Drop-off/Pick-up procedures:
 - Parent/Guardian to pull up to the circle and be greeted by a staff member who will conduct a brief health screening and take the child's temperature using a contactless thermometer.
 - Parent/guardian to not leave their vehicle or enter the educational building.



Promoting Healthy Hygiene

- Staff will be educated on how to monitor for symptoms and stay home if they are sick.
- Instructing parents/guardians to keep children home if they or any member of the household exhibits symptoms.
- Persons who have a fever of 100.4 (38.00C) or above or other signs of illness will not be admitted to the facility.
- Establish routine, daily symptom screening and temperature checks on arrival, for both staff and children.
- Teach and reinforce washing hands frequently.
- Teach and reinforce use of cloth face coverings and/or face shields among all staff and children when feasible. Face coverings are most essential at times when social distancing is not possible.
- Providing adequate supplies for good hygiene, including clean and functional handwashing stations, soap, paper towels, and alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Students will have a personal supply box of materials; no shared materials.

Routine Cleaning & Disinfection

- Increasing the cleaning and disinfection routine to multiple times per day, focusing on frequently touched objects and surfaces; disinfecting playground and gym equipment after use between each student group.
- Hiring a cleaning crew to clean and disinfect rooms nightly.
- Routine use of disinfection system to use for whole room sanitization.
- Routine use of whole room air purification systems (one in each classroom).

Guidance on Reporting a Staff/Student Who Tests Positive For Covid-19

- (1) Immediately contact the Montgomery County Health Department,
- (2) Notify staff and families,
- (3) Close for 2-5 days while determining long term course which may include closure for 14 days or more,
- (4) Communicate with staff and parents regarding the confirmed case and exposure,
- (5) Clean and disinfect the child care facility as recommended by the CDC, and
- (6) Determine duration of program closure based on guidance from the Montgomery County Health Department.

Everyone potentially exposed to the person who tested positive for COVID-19 should monitor carefully for symptoms. Individuals who had close, prolonged contact with the person who tested positive should quarantine at home for 14 days after the last day of exposure.

As the current health crisis evolves, we will update these guidelines as they are given by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE). If mandated to close for any reason, staff will be ready to provide Continuity of Learning (COL) through distance learning.
