



Christian Liberty Academy

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7/19/2020 - COVID-19 UPDATE – 2020 / 2021 School Year – Two options to start school

Dear CLA Families,

This information letter has been generated because of some very good questions that have come from a few of our CLA Families. We appreciate your feedback and we are using your inquiries to start a frequently asked questions section on our website. By the time you read this letter our COVID-19 Section on our website will have been updated. All the information in this email will be placed on the website on Monday, July 20. Regular Friday Letters will resume on Friday, July 24.

The COVID-19 Addendum on the website has been divided into Pod Sections for easy access to information. For instance, if you have a child in Pre-three then you would read the Preschool Pod Addendum or if you have child in the Junior High then you would read the Junior High Pod Addendum.

There has been one change in the original information that was posted a few weeks ago. Through advice from our medical and legal advisors we are **Requiring Masks** for the Upper Elementary Pod through the High School Pod. There is a list of conditions listed in the COVID-19 Addendum for each Pod.

On-Campus Learning is still scheduled to begin on Wednesday, August 12 with a half day (7:55 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.).

The only reason that this would be postponed is if the Governor of the State of Hawaii or the Mayor of Hawaii County would issue a stay at home order or require schools to delay the start of on-campus activities. Those decisions would be based on the health threats to students and faculty because of the rise of active cases on our island, the rise of community spread cases on our island or the increase in hospitalizations for COVID-19. Our administration is daily tracking these statistics and are daily monitoring communication coming from the Governor's and Hawaii County Mayor's offices.

You can start online on August 12:

We understand the uncertainties that are prevailing during these times caused by the threat of COVID-19. There is genuine anxiety generated by these uncertainties. **We will be providing opportunity for the parents to keep their children home and register for our Distance Learning Program while we are simultaneously conducting on-campus classes.** This option will be open for the entire 2020 / 2021 school year. We already have several students on the list.

Conditions for starting the year in D.L.P.

Same tuition as on campus tuition because of the amount of work it generates for the teacher. This also guarantees their spot when they decide to come back to school.

Parents have to realize this is a **commitment** not only for the school and teacher **but the parents as well.** We want to insure that the students will be able to stay up with the objectives and not fall behind in the curriculum. There is no reason a child cannot be



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successful in the Distant Learning Program as long as they have the proper support. CLA is committed to providing that support as we have proven fourth quarter of last year.

Over the summer ALL faculty and administrators are completing the online training to become Google Classroom Certified.

Once a student starts in DLP they have to stay in DLP until the beginning of the next quarter. If a student starts the year in DLP the earliest they can come into the classroom will be the beginning of second quarter which will start after fall break.

For preschool and elementary students there will be weekly pick-ups for student work; the rest of the assignments will be on Google Classroom.

All Junior High and High School work will be through Google Classroom. There will be some work the parents may have to pick up throughout the semester.

Students that are on DLP will not be allowed to participate in any onsite extra-curricular activities.

There will be a faculty member assigned to be the supervising teacher for the DLP. They will coordinate with the regular classroom teacher and the student. They will also provide technical support for the student and parents.

There will be divisional orientation meetings for each family involved in the D.L.P. The meetings will be set up for Thursday, August 6 and Friday, August 7.

D.L.P. will officially begin Wednesday, August 12. The same day as on-campus classes.

If you are interested in signing up for this program please send an email to admin@clahawaii.org requesting your child be placed on the DLP list.

Thank you for taking the time to read through this. Please make sure that you read through all the COVID-19 policies as well as the frequently ask questions section. If after reading through the information and you have any questions at all please email your questions to admin@clahawaii.org We will have one of our administrators answer them as quickly as possible. Our theme for fourth quarter last year was "Grace & Flexibility". We are praying daily for the abundant grace of God and His spirit to work in us so that we can share that grace with you.

God Bless!

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