



## New Healthy Practices for September 2020

*This document will be updated regularly to reflect CDC/NYC DOH-MH guidance as it unfolds. 6/9/2020*

<p><b>PROMOTE HEALTHY HYGIENE PRACTICES</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teach and reinforce proper handwashing – Soapy water for 20 seconds.</li> <li>• Teach and reinforce respiratory hygiene – Cover coughs/sneezes with tissue or crook of elbow.</li> <li>• Hand sanitizing stations placed in strategic areas – School entrance, in front of each classroom door.</li> <li>• In addition to the women’s restroom, the men’s restroom used during morning drop-off for handwashing.</li> <li>• Hand washing happens 3x each morning –Drop-off, halfway through the morning, before pick-up.</li> <li>• Face shield and/or mask required for staff and children until Covid-19 restrictions are lifted.</li> <li>• Ensure adequate supplies needed for healthy hygiene.</li> <li>• Post informative signs on stopping the spread of Covid-19.</li> </ul>
<p><b>PROMOTE HEALTHY SOCIAL DISTANCING PRACTICES</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sidewalk markers placed outside during drop-off to ensure 6 feet between groups.</li> <li>• People other than parents/caregivers dropping a child off not allowed to enter the building.</li> <li>• Drop-off times staggered by class - If parents miss their child’s time slot, wait until 9:30am when all children have arrived.</li> <li>• Attendance sheets and cubbies placed outside each classroom door to limit number of people entering the classroom.</li> <li>• Children confined to their own class groups with the same lead and assistant teacher.</li> <li>• Stagger some activities - Half children work at tables, other half work in other areas of the classroom – Surfaces wiped down before flipping activities.</li> <li>• Stagger snack-time in classes – Surfaces will be wiped down before flipping activities.</li> <li>• Lunch eaten together but children spaced adequately to ensure safe separation in between each.</li> <li>• During rest time, mats placed 6’ apart - Children lie on mats using a head-to-toe positioning.</li> </ul>
<p><b>PROMOTE HEALTHY SANITARY PRACTICES</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure adequate amount of supplies to support routine cleaning of objects and surfaces.</li> <li>• School-wide daily cleaning schedule established for all staff to adhere to.</li> <li>• High touch point areas wiped down every 30 minutes (doorknobs, light switches, faucets, backs of chairs, potties, cubbies, large play toys surfaces).</li> <li>• Small toys used during the day cleaned daily with soapy water, sprayed with a mild bleach solution and then air dry overnight.</li> <li>• Larger hard surface toys used during the day and all classroom surfaces wiped down with disinfecting clothes every afternoon.</li> <li>• Toys that cannot be cleaned and sanitized not used – Stuffed animals, dolls and doll clothes, puppets.</li> <li>• Materials limited in the classrooms each day to those easy to sanitize - Rotated periodically.</li> <li>• Student boxes for each child with their own individual supplies (markers, glue stick, scissors, Play-doh, etc.)</li> <li>• Fantasy play costumes allowed to be worn one time by one child. After use, the costume is retired until it can be laundered.</li> <li>• Coats/Sweaters/Hats/Gloves stored in individual plastic bags.</li> <li>• Snacks/Lunches packed separately in paper bags that can be thrown away after use.</li> <li>• Sheets removed daily and stored in individual plastic bags - Sent home at the end of each week for laundering.</li> <li>• Mats wiped down with disinfectant after each use and before storing.</li> <li>• Children’s books (and other paper-based materials) not considered high risk for transmission – No additional cleaning or disinfecting needed.</li> </ul>
<p><b>PROMOTE HEALTHY WELL-BEING PRACTICES</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents screen child for signs and symptoms before coming to school.</li> <li>• Teachers visibly inspect the child which may include flushed cheeks, rapid breathing or difficulty breathing, fatigue or extreme fussiness.</li> <li>• Health checks required of all staff before arriving at school.</li> <li>• Enhanced illness policies for children/staff - Any symptoms or fever the child must remain home 72 hours.</li> <li>• Information about absences, both children/staff documented in an illness log.</li> <li>• Designated area to be used to isolate a child who becomes sick while in school - cleaned and disinfected after the sick child has gone home.</li> <li>• For positive Covid-19 in a child, staff or parent/caregiver, school will close at least 24-hours for thorough cleaning/disinfecting. NYC DOH notified.</li> </ul>