



## DEUTSCHE SPRACHSCHULE INC. 2020-2021 SCHOOL REOPENING PLAN

The coming school year brings with it some new challenges, as we are all aware; below we are outlining some changes to our protocols and procedures to address these challenges. The school will be in contact should any of these change.

**Families have the option to choose either in-person or remote instruction.**

Teachers will address the needs of students, who have chosen remote instruction through a combination of synchronous and asynchronous work, including the live streaming of lesson segments from the classroom, as is possible, doing their best for your children.

### General Health & Safety Updates

- There is a daily cleaning schedule with a cleaning team, including Friday night and Saturday afternoon.
- All in-use classrooms have newly mounted air conditioning units and the building is outfitted with air purifiers.
- All classrooms will be equipped with hand sanitizer dispensers and disinfecting alcohol wipes.
- No parents or guests will be permitted to enter the building. (A small number of volunteers responsible for temperature checks and bathroom monitoring will be allowed in the building)
- Anyone entering the building will have their temperature taken by volunteers with touchless thermometers. If anyone has a temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or more, they will not be permitted to enter the building. Parents should not leave until their child(ren)'s temperature has been confirmed below 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Our classes will be placed in rooms appropriate for their size, which will allow for social distancing.
- Masks will be required to be worn by all students, faculty, staff, and any other person entering the building and must be worn at all times indoors.
- Classes or groups of classes, depending on enrollment numbers, will be kept in "pods" – students from separate pods will not interact with each other during the school day, including breaks.
- Bathrooms will be sanitized periodically throughout the German School session and volunteers will monitor bathroom use to ensure only a certain number of students in the bathroom at a time.
- MATERIALS: Teachers will not be able to distribute materials and students may not share. Teachers will send out a supply list of what students need. If students do not

have these things they may not be able to fully participate in lessons, so it is important to get those materials as soon as you can.

- Snack must be brought from home; there will not be the possibility of purchasing any snacks at school.

### Drop-off & Pick-up Procedures

- **Note the staggered start and end times for younger children to help reduce lines at drop off and pick up.**
- **All Students will enter through the main entrance**
- Spielgruppe, Kindergarten, Levels 1 & 2
  - Parents of these children must wait with them outside, maintaining social distance, as the students are called in for their temperature check, one child at a time.
  - Teacher Assistants will accompany these children to their classrooms once their temperature has been taken.
  - Spielgruppe and Kindergarten students will have to arrive at 9 am. Spielgruppe will be dismissed at 11:30 am and Kindergarten at 12pm.
  - Levels 1 & 2 will still begin and end at 9:15 am and 12:15 pm.
- Levels 3,4, & 5
  - These students may enter the building on their own, but parents must wait until they enter the building before leaving the area in case the student is turned away at the temperature check.
  - Start and end times remain at the normal 9:15 am and 12:15 pm for all of these students.

### New Schedules for the 2020-2021 School Year

#### Recess Schedule

Recess will be held outside unless weather prohibits it, in which case recess will be held in the gym. Each Class will be considered a “pod” and pods of students cannot mix even during recess. They will remain separated.

\*Classes 4/4A/5/5A & classes 3/3A shall be considered 2 “pods”

Spielgruppe / Kindergarten	10-10:15
1/1A-a/1A-b	10:30-10:45
2/2A/3/3A/4/4A/5/5A	11-11:15

<b>Music Schedule</b>	
<p>*Singing will not be permitted! But students will still have the chance to engage with song texts and samples of music from German-speaking countries.</p> <p>The music teacher will visit the individual classrooms.</p>	
4/4A/5/5A	9:15-9:30
3/3A (in Level 3 Classroom)	9:35-9:50
2A	9:55-10:10
2	10:15-10:30
Kindergarten/Spielgruppe	10:35-11:10
1AA/1AB	11:15-11:50
1	11:55-12:10

<b>School Exclusion Chart</b>	
<b>(Sources: Winfield Elementary School, Union County School Containment Guidelines, Illinois Dept of Public Health, New York Public School Reopening Release)</b>	<b>Period</b>
Student tests positive for COVID-19	14 days
Student exhibits one (or more) symptoms of COVID-19	14 days
Student had close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19	14 days
Student had close contact with someone exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19	14 days
Student has a temperature higher than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit (38 degrees Celsius)	72 hrs fever-free w/out fever reducer
Student has a temperature higher than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit (38 degrees Celsius) and exhibits one (or more) additional symptoms of COVID 19	10 days
Student has returned from a location with sustained widespread transmission, potentially including areas located within the United States	14 days

If there is one confirmed case, that student's classroom will transition to remote learning while the students and staff in that classroom quarantine for 14 days.	14 days
Two (2) confirmed cases in the same classroom	14 days
If there are at least two (2) confirmed cases in multiple classrooms in the same school, the entire school building closes and all students in the school transition to remote learning while contact tracers investigate.	TBD
If there are multiple cases in one school and contact tracers cannot determine a link between them, the school closes and all student learn remotely.	14 days