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Dear CCDS Families,

As we rapidly approach the return of in-person instruction, we have important information to share with you. First of all, the team at CCDS is anxiously awaiting the arrival of in-person students. The team has worked tirelessly to ensure the environment is as safe and as therapeutic as possible. As a reminder, school will start on Monday, January 25th with the morning students arriving at 8:45 AM and departing at 11:15 AM. The afternoon students will be arriving at 12:00 PM and departing at 2:30 PM. All school districts are aware of the new hybrid schedule. If you have not heard from your district's transportation team, please reach out to your district representative immediately to make sure transportation will be ready for the first day of school. Rest assured, our team is fully prepared for the flexibility we know will be needed to work out the kinks the first couple of weeks.

The medical team has decided a 4-item screening checklist will travel to and from school. Students will receive this checklist and have it attached to their backpack on the first day of school. Parents and/or caregivers will be expected to fill this out on a daily basis. The card is laminated and has 4 boxes to be checked using a dry-erase marker. A sample card is posted below. Please also take your child's temperature prior to departing the house. We know this is a daily change and may take some time to get used to. Adam Nikkel, the school's medical team leader, will be in contact with families to make sure all questions are answered and may provide reminders to make sure this process runs as smoothly as possible. All staff are completing the same protocol. Everyone is counting on each other to make this return to in-person learning as safe and successful as possible.

Covid-19 School Screening Tool

Name: (Already typed in for each student)

Date:

1) – Any new symptoms in the past 48 hours?

Yes No

2) – Contact with confirmed Covid-19 case in past 14 days?

Yes No

3) – Are you currently isolating or quarantining?

Yes No

4) – Are you currently waiting on the results of a Covid-19 test?

Yes No

The team also has some staffing changes that will take place with the start of the hybrid model. Lauren Raphael and Marla Davishoff will continue to deliver limited social work minutes. Both have worked at CCDS previously in this role and are a great help to our team. Estefania Garcia-Gomez will be joining our Occupational Therapy team. She was a valued member of our CCDS team prior to receiving her Masters degree in Occupational Therapy. We are very happy to have her back on the team. Adam Nikkel will work with Estefania for a seamless transition of service delivery. Adam will also be taking on more responsibility for the day-to-day operating procedures of the school and provide close consultation for the students and families.

As a reminder, when we do resume in-person instruction, it will be required that ALL staff and students wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth. Exceptions to this can only be allowed if a doctor's note is sent from your child's treating physician noting a medical reason. Please submit those letters to Linda Ferguson at lindafccx@gmail.com if your child is unable to wear a face mask for medical reasons. If we do not have a doctor's

note and your child will not wear a mask at school, the student will need to elect for remote learning.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during our reopening. Our top priority is to make this a safe, smooth and successful transition for your children. Please do not hesitate to contact us for any reason. We understand you will have many questions and we will do our best to support you. We cannot begin to tell you how excited the staff is to see your student on Monday morning or Monday afternoon. Stay safe!

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