



July 15, 2020

Dear Ambition Prep Families,

We are grateful you have entrusted Ambition Prep with your child's educational journey. We know the COVID-19 pandemic shapes our current reality and forces changes in our lives in ways we could not imagine. **Ambition Prep's goal is to provide students with rigorous academics, high-quality instruction, and life skills while ensuring a safe community for all families, staff, and community partners.** We thank you for continued patience as we work through these uncertain times.

After much thoughtful and careful deliberation, **Ambition Prep is planning a modified in-person model with a virtual option for families this school year with a start date of August 5, 2020.** Please look for more information Friday, July 17, 2020, regarding specific details of scheduling, reopening, and parent orientations.

Over the past few months, we have worked to ensure the implementation of health and safety guidelines provided by CDC and the Mississippi Department of Health.

The following are only a few of the safety standards enacted at Ambition Prep prior to school opening:

- Staff training on CDC guidance
- Required temperature checks and health screenings upon arrival for each student and staff daily
- All students, staff, service providers, and visitors are required to wear a mask/face covering that fully covers the nose and mouth while in the building. We will provide disposable masks for students, if needed
- Hand sanitizer will be provided and frequently used in each classroom; as well as regularly 20-second hand washing and sanitizing breaks for students and staff throughout the day
- Disinfect commonly used surfaces and areas frequently and air purifiers placed throughout the building
- Enhanced evening cleaning and sanitizing in all areas of the school
- Students stay in the same classroom and teachers rotate to classes as needed as well as arranged classrooms to ensure social distancing or provide plexiglass shield barriers between student seating areas where needed
- Strict social distancing in hallways and common areas and tape markings on floors to demonstrate social distancing reminders in common areas
- Meals served in the classrooms or outside when weather permits
- Running buses at reduced capacity and required face coverings
- Identify isolation space for students who do not pass arrival screenings and/or become ill with COVID-19-related symptoms and must wait for parent pick up
- Require students and staff to stay home if they, or anyone in their household, have tested positive for COVID-19 and/or are showing any symptoms per CDC guidelines

We will continue to monitor the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and communicate more information as needed. Please also be aware that current plans are subject to change pending orders of the Governor and guidelines of the Mississippi Department of Health. We continue to operate in uncertain times and are thankful for your patience and cooperation as we work to do what we believe is in the best interest of our students, families, and community.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me at 601-487-1658 or info@ambitionprep.org if you have any questions or concerns. Again we will provide you with detailed specifics on Friday, July 17, 2020.

We hope you and your family are well throughout these difficult times, and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

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Founder & Executive Director