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## Junior School Learning Plan School Year 2020-2021

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# THE JUNIOR SCHOOL APPROACH



In the Junior School, we recognize the unique situations families face during COVID-19. Some students may need an opportunity to learn from home at times throughout the school year due to risk, required quarantine, or illness. We also know that a large population of our students prefer and need a face-to-face (F2F) learning environment.

**With these understandings, the Junior School has designed learning models that:**

1. Attend to students' physical safety, health and social-emotional well-being
2. Provide continuity of high-quality learning for students who may need to transition between face-to-face (F2F) and distance learning (DL) at designated times throughout the year
3. Are sustainable, with consideration for faculty and staff as well as students, in the event that conditions mandate that LJA Response Levels remain heightened for an extended period of time

# LEARNING MODELS

## YOUR CHOICE - FROM DAY ONE!

You will be offered a choice between face-to-face and distance learning prior to the start of school. You will then have the flexibility to switch back and forth between the models **on a quarterly basis**. Parents will be able to opt into distance learning in the event that the school's Response Level is increased (e.g., moving from level 1+ to 2), if your child or family is required to self-quarantine, or at the start of each quarter:

**Quarter 1: August 17/18\*- October 9 (Start of School - Fall break)**

**Quarter 2: October 19 - December 18 (Fall break - Winter break)**

**Quarter 3: January 5 - March 12 (Winter break - Spring Break)**

**Quarter 4: March 22 - June 2 (Spring Break - End-of-year)**

We recognize that each child has unique needs. You can opt one child into distance learning and another child into face-to-face learning on campus.

*\*First two days of school are half groups. First full group day is August 19.*



**More information about distance learning and how to opt in will be emailed to you on July 20.**

This email will include more information about what distance learning looks like, parent and student expectations, and parent training.

**You must reply by August 1 to opt into distance learning for the start of the school year.**



# LJA COVID-19 RESPONSE LEVELS

	Level 1 Low Risk	Level 1+ Increased Risk	Level 2 Heightened Risk	Level 3 High Risk
<b>Situation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Isolated outbreaks</li> <li>No cases at LJA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increasing new cases</li> <li>Gov't restrictions on gathering/group size</li> <li>No cases at LJA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sustained community spread</li> <li>Gov't restrictions on gathering/group size and travel</li> <li>Confirmed case(s) at LJA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Widespread community transmission</li> <li>Gov't restrictions on gatherings, issues stay-at-home order</li> <li>Confirmed case(s) at LJA</li> </ul>
<b>Face-to-Face Learning Environment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LJA campuses open</li> <li>Enhanced cleaning/safety practices</li> <li>Physical distancing wherever possible (3-6 feet)</li> <li>Masking may be required</li> <li>Field trips and Athletics may take place</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LJA campuses open</li> <li>Enhanced cleaning/safety practices</li> <li>Enhanced physical distancing</li> <li>Masking required where physical distancing cannot be maintained (For PK-2 mask wearing protocols will vary)</li> <li>Outdoor learning and centers emphasized</li> <li>Field trips limited to on-island w/ safety precautions</li> <li>Avoid airports</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LJA campuses open</li> <li>Enhanced cleaning/safety practices</li> <li>Enhanced physical distancing</li> <li>Mask wearing mandatory</li> <li>Smaller group sizes enforced</li> <li>Seek to preserve "ohana bubbles"</li> <li>No field trips</li> <li>No travel</li> </ul>	<p><b>All campuses closed</b></p> <p>Note: Childcare may be offered for qualifying first-responder and LJA employee families with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhanced physical distancing</li> <li>Mandatory mask wearing (For PK-2, mask wearing protocols will vary)</li> <li>Small mixed age groups of students from the same families in same cohorts of 9 students + 1 teacher.</li> </ul>
<b>Distance Learning Environment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students engage remotely</li> <li>Distance learning follows same curriculum as face-to-face</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students engage remotely</li> <li>Distance learning follows same curriculum as face-to-face</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students engage remotely</li> <li>Distance learning follows same curriculum as face-to-face</li> </ul>	<p><b>Distance Learning for all students</b></p>

*Note: Chart descriptions provide a generalized school wide overview. Division specifics can be found on pages 6 and 7.*

# FACE-TO-FACE LEARNING | AT-A-GLANCE

## LEVEL 1

Students are placed in class-sized groups of a **maximum 12 students in PK and 15 students in JK**. Students will experience **increased outdoor learning, physical distancing, and handwashing**. Students will stay with their designated homerooms.

## LEVEL 1+

Same as Level 1 above. Limited sharing of communal supplies where possible, regular sanitization of communal supplies.

## LEVEL 2

**Students are placed in smaller “ohana bubbles”**, size of which will comply with government recommendations. Students may be reassigned to accommodate class sizes. Reduced interaction with other students to minimize likelihood of spread of the virus and facilitate tracing.

## LEVEL 3

Campus is closed. **Distance learning for all students.**

# DISTANCE LEARNING | AT-A-GLANCE

## LEVEL 1

Students will be assigned **daily asynchronous learning experiences** by the grade level teachers that are **based on the learning taking place on campus**. Distance learning students are following the same curriculum **as much as possible** throughout the school year to ensure smooth transitions between learning environments. Learning experiences may look different between environments but **skills, concepts, and knowledge are aligned through our PYP units of inquiry**. More information by grade level to follow in our Distance Learning Guide (to be released July 20, 2020).

## LEVEL 1+

Same as Level 1 above.

## LEVEL 2

Same as Level 1 above.

## LEVEL 3

Campus is closed. **Distance learning for all students.**



Image: Mrs. McDermott takes a selfie with familiar student helpers at a Trustees for Teachers event



# CAMPUS AND TECH ENHANCEMENTS

We are deeply invested in ensuring the health and safety of our students, faculty, and staff. In addition to our campus-wide enhancements, you'll find the following improvements to support a healthy learning environment in the Junior School, including:

**New! All Junior School students will be issued a 1:1 device!**

- Improved outdoor learning spaces - Shade tents and outdoor furniture installed to optimize cool, shady outdoor learning and increase physical distancing.
- Additional handwashing stations installed.
- Additional fans installed to help with air movement.
- Outdoor screening station in front courtyard.
- Foot markers to help students safely physical distance.
- Students will receive an iPad to be used at school or at home in distance learning.
- Students will be given support to be independent on these devices should they need to return to distance learning at some point.



# IMPORTANT CHANGES TO EXPECT



## Last Year (2019-20)

## This Year (2020-21)

6-Day JARDIN rotating schedule

5-Day Monday-Friday Schedule

Parents and other visitors allowed on campus at any time.

Parents and other visitors are not allowed on campus unless prior arrangements are made. All parents and visitors on campus must conduct a self-screening, check in with the JS office for an LJA badge to be worn while on campus. Classrooms and playground are off limits. Must wear a mask while on campus.

All students were face-to-face (Fall) or in distance learning (Spring)

Families are given the choice of distance learning (DL) or face-to-face (F2F) on campus at designated times throughout the school year.

Classroom Learning

Additional shade tents and outdoor furniture installed to optimize outdoor learning time to enhance air flow and increase physical distancing.

Sick Policy - 24-hour rule  
Students not permitted on campus for 24 hours following a fever of 100 degrees or higher.

72-hour rule. Sick children must be kept home, and may only return to school after 72 hours with no symptoms. Students will not be permitted on campus if the student has the following symptoms: temp, cough, runny nose, loss taste/smell. Protocols for sick students and faculty are in place, as is a COVID Response Plan in the event of a COVID-19 case on campus.

# CHANGES TO EXPECT (continued)



## Last Year (2019-20)

## This Year (2020-21)

Students in DL used their home devices with option to check out

Every child will be issued an iPad for one to one use in F2F and/or DL.

Field Trips

Limited field trips. Field trips are allowed at level 1. DHS requesting cancellations of all large group and communal activities, such as facility-wide events, field trips and parades starting at level 1+.

No self-screening

All faculty, staff, visitors must complete the self-screening form prior to arriving on campus. Keep sick children home. Self-screening for adults only. All students will be screened upon arrival to campus for temperature and visual well checks.

Handwashing and sanitizing

Enhanced handwashing stations and times built into the schedule between learning experiences and transitions. Increased sanitizing of learning materials takes place throughout the day.

Communal supplies provided by the school

Individual supplies provided by the school including 1:1 devices.

SAVE THE DATE!

# Junior School Parent Info Session

August 6, 2020  
6:00 p.m. | via Zoom





# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q: How do I know campus is safe for students?**

A: LJA campuses will open with enhanced cleaning/safety practices.

All students will be screened upon arrival to campus for temperature and visual well checks.

Faculty, staff and visitors are self-screening.

Limited sharing of communal supplies where possible, regular sanitization of communal supplies.

Visitors are limited to essential workers.

**Q: Will my child be required to wear a mask on campus?**

A: JS students will be asked to wear masks to the extent possible when inside working in collaborative groups but not when physical distancing is being practiced.

Masks will not be required outside, during meals, or at nap time.

Wearing masks will be practiced for the eventuality we move to Level 2, where masks will be strongly encouraged.

**Q: How will distance learning compare to face-to-face instruction?**

A: Parents of children in distance learning are integral in helping to facilitate a conducive learning environment that supports student learning at home.

Students will engage with teachers with Zoom live sessions and recorded video lessons.

**Q: Will the schedule include special events such as picnic, parade, fairs etc.?**

A: At this time all group events have been cancelled but we will continue to monitor COVID-19 status and reinstate events if permitted.

Some events (i.e. Coffee with the Principal or Parent Night) will be conducted via Zoom as we make every effort to connect you with your child's educators and school experience.

**Q: Will I be allowed to take my child to his/her classroom?**

A: You will be able to visit your child's classroom at the Child-Teacher-Parent Conferences in August. Afterwards, to help maintain a safe classroom for your child, drop off and pick up will be in the front courtyard.

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