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Reopening Plan

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you all for your continued support and efforts throughout our virtual summer program. The return to in-person learning is important, and we respect the decision that each family must make in determining when to send their child back to school. My goal today is to provide insight to some of the commonly asked questions regarding our reopening plan. We will be also be following up with some families who are still undecided so we can continue to make appropriate arrangements.

At this time, 1st Cerebral Palsy of NJ is expected to reopen for students on September 3 with a return to full in-person services. For any family that chooses not to send their child back to school an appropriate distance learning plan will continue.

Our school is uniquely positioned and has an advantage over many public schools because of our small class sizes, medical-like model, and ability to prepare our building and provide staff training throughout our summer session.

The 3 most important, general rules to keep in mind when thinking about reopening:

1. If students/staff are sick or have symptoms do not come to school
2. If students/staff come to school and are screened to be sick, have symptoms/fever they will not be allowed to stay
3. Anyone who clears steps 1 & 2 and enters the building will strictly follow our health and safety procedures to reduce transmission of illness

The following are some answers to commonly asked questions:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students/staff are not mandated to be COVID-19 tested prior to a return to school • Students/staff will be screened for atypical symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath) & temperature checked prior to entering the building • All staff will wear masks. Other PPE (gloves, gowns, face shields) is available for 1:1 contact • Students are strongly encouraged, but not required, to wear face coverings unless doing so would inhibit the student's health. This will be an individual decision. • Classrooms will be arranged to allow social distancing. Students will remain in the same classroom throughout the day except for therapy (breakfast/lunch will be in classrooms) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New, larger nurse office with supervised isolation room for anyone with symptoms of illness • Updated cleaning and disinfecting protocols • Updated social distancing signage and hallway procedures • Students will have labeled boxes of their own class supplies and equipment • Transportation questions should be directed to your local school district
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We will be releasing a complete, detailed plan at the end of July, but please reach out if we can answer specific questions. We will continue to put together the best plan we can with the available information.

Stay safe,

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 Principal