



## **Plan for Reopening Dr. Maria Tsompana**

Based on guidelines from the Office of Greek Education, the Greek Language School of the Annunciation (Buffalo) has put together this document to provide our community guidance and strategies that should be implemented to improve education and promote health. You can use this guidance in combination with the additional guidance provided by the New York State Health and Educational Department.

### **Preparing for Reopening**

Our school will implement a hybrid model of instruction as follows:

- A. Classes for Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, Group 1 and Group 2 (see Group Assignments below) will take place **at the FLC** on Saturdays from 10:30 AM-1:00 PM. No break during class.
- B. Classes for Group 3 and Regents will take place **online**.

### **Safety Program Coordinator**

Safety program coordinator will be the Principal of the Greek Language School of the Annunciation (Buffalo). **Dr. Tsompana** will communicate concerns and challenges, to the Principal Priest Rev. Dr. Christos B. Christakis, the community, parish representatives, staff, and parents. In addition, this person will be the point of contact for staff, students and parents who require immediate attention.

### **Physical Distancing to Reduce Exposure**

Physical distancing means keeping space between yourself and other people. Physical distancing is important in slowing down the spread of COVID- 19.

Our school will create as much space between students as possible during the day, recognizing that it may not always possible to have 6 feet of distancing during their time in the classroom.

### **Requirements: Hybrid Instruction**

- **Students will be dropped off at 10:30 AM and picked up at 1:00 PM at the door of the FLC without parents/guardians entering the school premises.**
- **Students' temperature will be tested in front of the entrance of the FLC by Dr. Tsompana. Students with regular temperature will be taken by their respective teacher directly to their classroom. In case a student is diagnosed with temperature above 100.0 F, he/she will not be allowed to attend**

school and will need to be picked up immediately. **Parents are required to wait, inside their cars in front of the FLC entrance door, until their student(s) are cleared for entrance into the FLC building.**

- The school's doors will be promptly locked after 11:00 AM and reopened at 1:00 PM.
- Classroom sizes will be evaluated with the objective of creating as much space between students as possible. We will consider using alternative spaces with greater capacity to allow for more physical space between students.
- Classrooms will be marked with 6 feet of spacing to remind everyone to always stay 6 feet apart.
  - Classroom seating will be organized so that students are separated from one another by 6 feet when possible.
  - All desks will be turned to face in the same direction (rather than facing each other).
- Staff will monitor arrival and dismissal to control congregating and ensure students go straight from vehicle to their classroom, and vice versa.
- **Visitors, volunteers, and activities involving outside groups or organizations will not be allowed during school hours.**
- Pictures/signs will be used to illustrate appropriate spacing and traffic throughout the FLC building.
- Large groups activities that do not allow for social distancing will be discontinued, including school performances, dance classes etc.

## Face Coverings

**Wearing face coverings is required throughout the operation of the school.** The school will have face coverings available for staff and students who forget to bring their own.

How to Safely Wear and Take Off a Cloth Face Covering (PDF) (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/cloth-face-covering.pdf>)

## Hygiene Practices

- Appropriate supplies to support healthy hygiene (e.g., soap, hand sanitizer, paper towels, disinfectant wipes, and tissues) will be available and placed in areas where they may be frequently used.
- Children and staff will be required to disinfect with a hand sanitizer during arrival and dismissal, after using the bathroom, after blowing one's nose, coughing, or sneezing; after touching objects with bare hands that have been handled by other people.
- Children and staff with sensitivity to hand sanitizer will be requested to use soap and water.

## Screening Procedures

Regular screening for symptoms and ongoing self-monitoring throughout the school day will be enforced to help identify signs of illness and help reduce exposure. Staff and students should be encouraged to self-monitor symptoms throughout the day. Staff or students who develop symptoms during the school's session will inform immediately their teacher or the Safety coordinator.

- **Staff and students are required to stay home if:**

- 1. They have tested positive for or are showing symptoms.**
- 2. They have recently had close contact with a person with COVID-19**

- Symptom screening will be conducted for any person entering the school building.

- **Symptomatic students who are waiting to be picked up will remain under the visual supervision of a staff member who is at least 6 feet away. Both the symptomatic student and the supervising staff will wear a face covering.**
- Signs at entrance(s) will request that people who have symptoms do not enter the building.
- Cleaning and disinfecting procedures will be implemented at the end of each school day by a professional cleaning service.
- Staff and students are required to bring their own water, use cups, or other alternative procedures to minimize use and touching of water fountains. **No food consumption will be allowed during school hours.**

## **Support Social-Emotional Wellness**

The pandemic is causing a great amount of anxiety for many students. It's important that all students have access to the mental health care resources they need to stay well. Our programs can play an important part in helping students and staff deal with social emotional health. The Greek School Faculty, Parish Representatives and Father Christos are here to support you.

## **Greek Language School of the Annunciation Group Assignments**

### **Pre-Kindergarten**

**Teacher:** Angela Klentos  
 aklentos@tonacsd.org, (716) 984-5051

**Book:** Preschool Book Set  
 Preschool Greek Songs CD

**Classroom:** Gym/One desk per student - Six feet apart

**Day:** Saturday 10:30AM-1:00PM

**Students:**

1. Leonidas Koutsandreas
2. Matthaio Albarran
3. Isla Czaskowski
4. Markos Albarran
5. Kolokotronas
6. Marcos Ikonomou
7. Leandros Ikonomou

### **Kindergarten**

**Teacher:** Sylvia Koutsomititis  
 skoutsomititis@gmail.com, (716) 868-1414

**Books:** Για Χαρά Κ Primary

**Classroom:** Kitchen Area/One desk per student - Six feet apart

**Day:** Saturday 10:30AM-1:00PM

**Students:**

8. Alexandros Koutsandreas
9. Lambros Apostolopoulos
10. Leontios Kollidas
11. Michael Stroze

### Group 1

**Teacher:** Litsa Koutsandreas  
litsak@roadrunner.com  
**Books:** Για Χαρά Level 1  
**Classroom:** Board Room/ Students 6 feet apart on big table and additional desks  
**Day:** Saturday 10:30AM-1:00PM  
**Students:**  
12. Theodora Apostolopoulos  
13. Emiliano Ikonomou  
14. Gia Klentos  
15. Christina Kesidis

### Group 2

**Teacher:** Maria Tsompana  
mtsompana@gmail.com, (716) 906-0603  
**Book:** Για Χαρά Level 3  
Για Χαρά Level 4  
**Classroom:** Closet/ Students 6 feet apart on big table  
**Students:**  
16. Anastasia Anastasopoulos  
17. Alexis Stroze

### Group 3

**Teacher:** Maria Tsompana, ONLINE  
mtsompana@gmail.com, (716) 906-0603  
**Book:** Η ξαδέλφη μου στην Αθήνα, Level 5  
**Students:**  
18. George Varvakis  
19. Christopher Tsulos  
20. Demetre Buck  
21. Vasilis-Evan Klentos  
22. George Klentos

### Regents (13 Years)

**Teacher:** Jane Demopoulos, ONLINE  
janemouh@gmail.com, (585) 478-8481  
**Book:** 30 μέρες στην Ελλάδα, Level 6  
Regents old tests  
**Students:**  
23. Denise Dimopoulos  
24. Isabella Buck