

SCHOOL SAFETY PROCEDURES LETTER

Dear Bradley Community,

We are so excited to welcome our ECE students back to school on Sept. 14th! As always, the health and safety of your children is our top priority. Given these unusual times, we want to make sure you are aware of some changes at our school related to student arrival and dismissal, health and safety protocols, and our daily schedule.

We are following stringent state guidelines regarding the cleaning of our classroom and facilities, and our teachers and school staff members are receiving training on new safety protocols.

Teachers and paraprofessionals will be asked to complete daily health screenings, and all adults will be required to wear masks or face coverings while at school. All individuals will be asked to wash their hands upon arrival, at least once every two hours, and as necessary throughout the day.

You may also notice a difference in our student arrival and dismissal process as follows:

- Please ensure that your child is healthy and well before arriving at school. If your child feels unwell or if they have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, please keep them home until their medical provider says that they may return to school.
- Parents/guardians will drop off and pick up students outside of the school building in a designated area.
 - ECE 3s/4s - Ms. Siok & Ms. Neil - South entrance on Elm Street
 - ECE 4s - Ms. Campos - South entrance on Elm Street
 - ECE 4s - Ms. Atherton & Ms. Zinn - West entrance facing Dahlia Street (on playground)
- Please maintain physical distancing and wear a [mask or face covering](#) when dropping off and picking up your child.
- We ask just one parent/guardian to drop off and pick up their student each day.
- We will be implementing staggered arrival and dismissal times to minimize the number of parents/guardians at the school at once.
 - ECE 3s/4s (Half Day Programs) 9:30-12:00 and 12:45-3:15
 - ECE 4s (Full Day Programs) 9:15-3:15
- During arrival each day, parents/guardians will be asked to sign a form verifying their student's health. We will also be doing temperature checks of all students before they enter the building. If a child has an elevated temperature of over 100.4 degrees or other illness symptoms, we will ask the parent/guardian to take the child home.

There also will be new protocols during the school day once students are inside the building:

- All students will stay in their classrooms throughout the day except for bathroom breaks, recess and outdoor learning. Both breakfast and lunch will be served in the classroom.

- All students will have their own sets of school supplies that they use each day and will not be shared with other students.
- Throughout the school day, we will strive to keep students as distanced as possible. We recognize this will be difficult for 3- and 4-year-old children, and we are planning fun and encouraging methods to help them.
- CDC recommends that young children (3 years and older) wear masks to prevent the spread of COVID-19. DPS will follow this recommendation while meeting each child where they are developmentally in learning this new skill. Students will not need to wear masks during meals, naps or while outside. Additional information about masks usage, including student exemptions, can be found [here](#).

We know that this may seem like a lot of changes, but please know we are committed to making this an amazing year for our students!

Please feel free to contact us with any questions. We look forward to seeing you all on the first day of school!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S Wera". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stephen Wera
Principal, Bradley International