

A photograph of two young boys in blue polo shirts examining a green plant. The boy in the foreground is looking intently at the leaves, while the boy behind him is also focused on the plant. The background is slightly blurred, showing a classroom environment.

Gulliver Prep

REOPENING PLAN 2020-21

Updated as of September 1, 2020

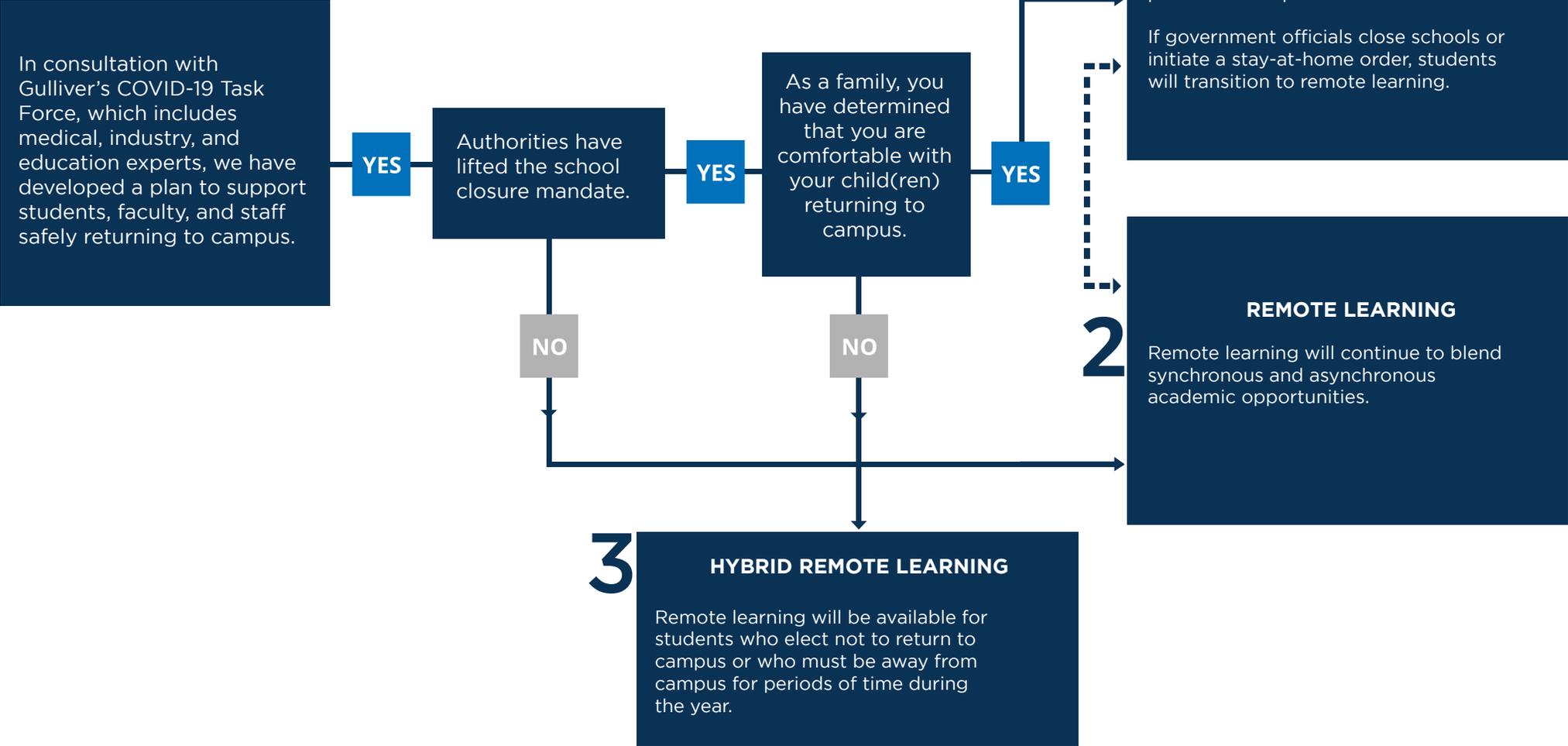
REOPENING PLAN

Protecting the health, safety, and well-being of every member of the Gulliver community is our highest priority. Gulliver's mission focuses on creating an academic community and providing a personal touch, and these are best accomplished with in-person, on-campus, face-to-face instruction and interaction. While the SARS-CoV-2 virus and COVID-19 disease caused by the virus will impact our on-campus instruction and normal activities throughout the 2020-21 school year, we will not be deterred and refuse to surrender hopelessly to the challenges posed by the virus. Guided by medical experts and others, we will aggressively seek solutions which allow as normal of an on-campus experience for the 2020-21 school year as is safely possible.

Gulliver is responding to these uncertain times with an emphasis on flexibility, mindfulness, and understanding while prioritizing an extraordinary academic experience. We want to ensure all students feel safe and engaged in our unparalleled community.



THE PROCESS



NEW SCHOOLWIDE PROCEDURES

IN ORDER TO REDUCE GROUP SIZES AND LIMIT THE NUMBER OF CONTACTS EACH STUDENT HAS ON CAMPUS, WE WILL BE IMPLEMENTING THE FOLLOWING:

Reduce Group Sizes

- Students will eat lunch in classrooms or pre-determined outdoor spaces.
- Eliminate use of lockers and lockers rooms.
- Eliminate field trips.
- Eliminate shared class supplies and materials, equipment, and classroom book sets.
- Implement one-way walkthrough routes on all campuses.
- Limit the number of students in restrooms at one time.
- Utilize various entrances and exits throughout each campus.

Reduce Contacts

- Maintain six feet of social distance in classrooms and throughout campus.
- Physical education will be modified according to national and regional standards.
- Faculty to travel to classrooms where possible.
- No parents or visitors on campus (by appointment only if necessary).



NEW SCHOOLWIDE PROCEDURES

Health Checks: AUXS Safety App

- Parents, faculty, and staff will utilize the AUXS Safety App to complete daily, self-administered health checks.
- You will receive an email from **SafetyApp@auxs.org** in which you will be asked to validate/update the required information, and a second email that will include your temporary password, as well as a link to download the application for both Apple and Android devices.
- Health checks should be completed for each child before coming to campus.

RESPONSE TO A POSITIVE COVID-19 CASE AT GULLIVER



School

Immediately notify the Florida Department of Health and follow any instructions they may provide.

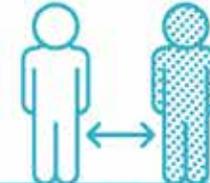
Building spaces occupied by the positive person will be deep cleaned and sanitized.



Positive Person

Required to self-isolate for 10 days.

After 10 days, the person may return to school upon furnishing a medical clearance note from his/her physician.



Household Member(s) who is a student or employee at Gulliver, and any other known close contact(s) who is a student or employee at Gulliver

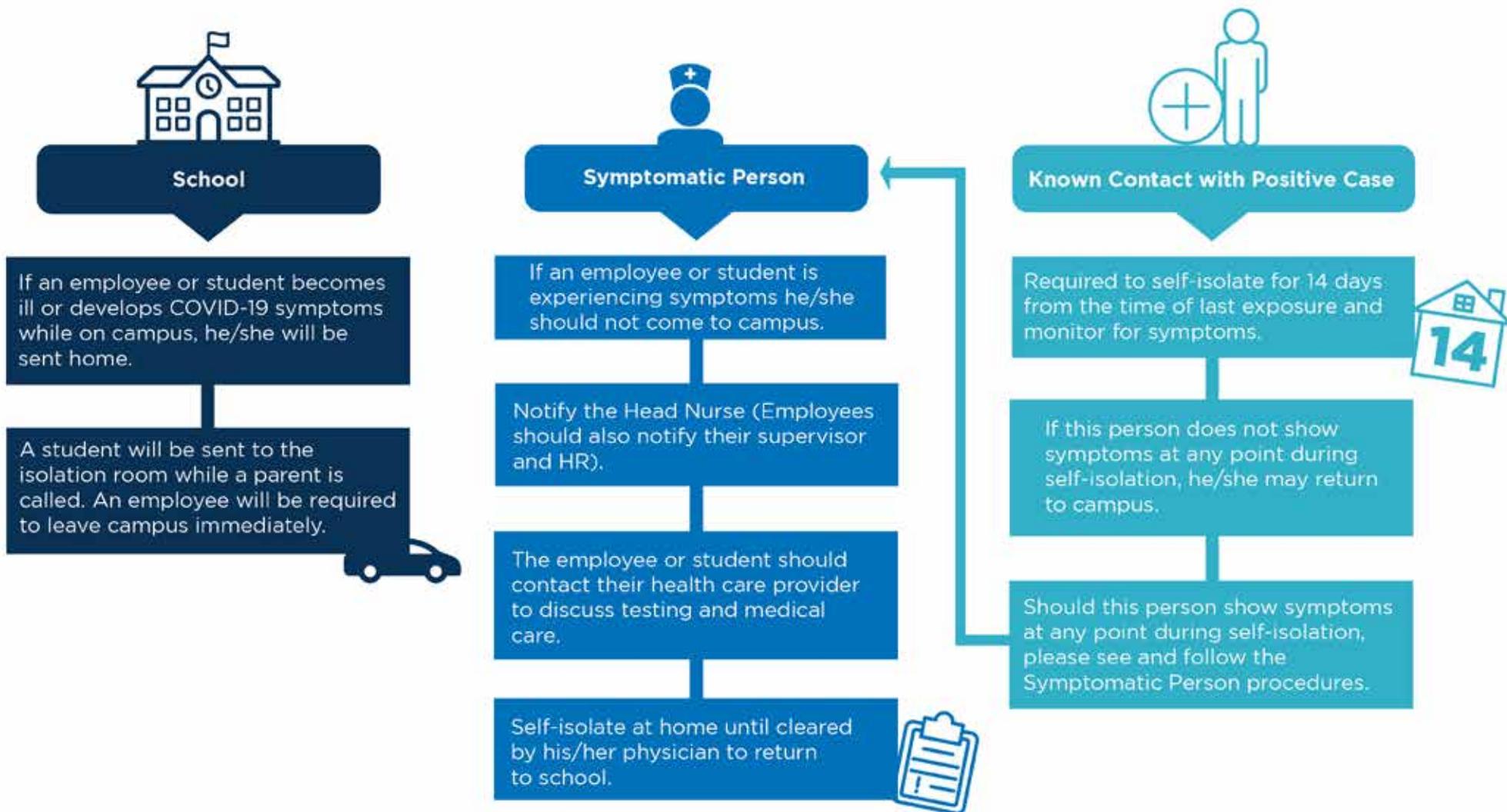
Required to self-isolate for 10 days.

After 10 days, individuals may return to school upon furnishing a medical clearance note from his/her physician.



The CDC defines a close contact as someone within six feet, without a mask, for longer than 15 minutes. Our operational policies of keeping students and teachers six feet apart, with masks, means that **other class members and teachers are not close contacts and will not be required to self-isolate.** Class members will be informed and asked to monitor symptoms. They may continue with on-campus instruction or choose to learn remotely for a period of time.

SYMPTOM & KNOWN CONTACT RESPONSE



LIFE ON CAMPUS

UPDATED AS CDC RECOMMENDATIONS EVOLVE



Health screening protocols for students, faculty, and staff before entering buildings.



Students can select from a range of pre-assembled, ready-to-serve lunches. Menus will be online for parents and students to see in advance.



Staggered schedule for drop-off and pick-up.



Enhanced sanitizing and cleaning processes, including setting air conditioning units to maximize fresh air intake, upgraded MERV13 air conditioning filters, as well as portable air purifiers in every classroom.



Any student or employee returning to Miami from a destination under a CDC Level 3 Travel Health Notice or under travel restrictions by state or local authorities, or whose household member has returned from such a destination, will be required to stay home for 14 days prior to returning to campus. This includes trips taken during Thanksgiving Recess and Winter Recess. Out of an abundance of caution, we also request that all students and employees return to Miami for at least 10 days before they return to campus.



Outside vendors will be limited and will follow our health check protocol prior to coming on our campuses. All meetings with parents should be conducted via Zoom.



Face masks must be worn at all times by every individual on campus, except while eating lunch and during outdoor PE when social distancing can occur. Face shields cannot be used in lieu of a mask but may be worn with a mask.



Tentatively, athletic offerings will commence on September 14.



Outdoor space will be utilized to its full potential.

STAGGERED START SCHEDULE

In order to give our families and students a chance to acclimate to new procedures and protocols and our "new normal" campus environment, students will return to on-campus learning on a staggered start schedule, by grade level:

- Grades PK-SK: Tuesday, September 8
- Grades 1-4: Wednesday, September 9
- Grades 5-6 and Grades 9-10: Thursday, September 10
- Grades 7-8 and Grades 11-12: Friday, September 11

ATHLETICS

Our tentative date to begin official practices for fall sports is September 14. There will be protocols in place to ensure the most safe environment for all participants. These decisions are always made in the best interest of the health and safety of our student-athletes, coaches and staff, and families.

Gulliver will use the recommendations set forth by the National Federation of State High School Associations and the Florida High School Athletic Association as a guide to promote safe sports participation.

We continue to work closely with the FHSAA and other independent schools in South Florida to make the most informed decisions regarding participation in educational athletics.



PREPARING FOR INTERRUPTIONS

Gulliver is preparing for possible periods of interruption to on-campus learning. Governmental authorities, public health officials, and our COVID-19 Task Force may recommend or require an interruption of physical operations. Should this occur, we will transition to remote learning immediately.



Families will have the option of selecting either in-person or remote learning. In order to plan for remote learning we will need to be notified of such learning options in advance. Families will be required to inform us of their decision for their child(ren) to join remote learning prior to the start of the school year.

Should families decide to switch in-person to remote learning or vice versa, families will need to inform Gulliver of such change on Friday prior to switching over to remote learning. In order to support our faculty's ability to provide the best educational experience for our students, parents' decisions will hold stable for three (3) week increments.

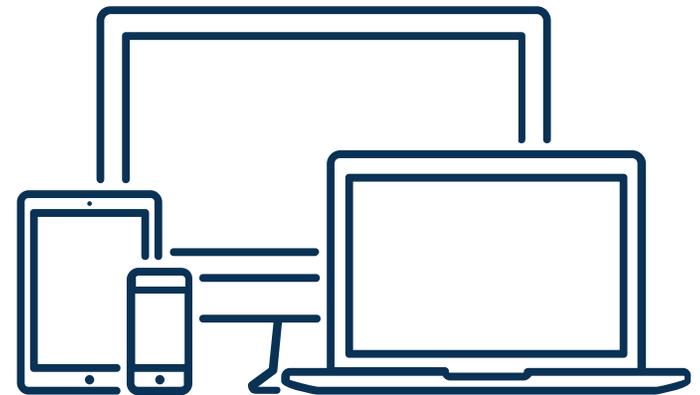
We understand that there may be times where a student will need to utilize remote learning abruptly, due to COVID-19 or any other illness or family concerns. If this occurs, we request families provide as much advance notice as possible. Please reach out to your principal related to your learning intentions.

ENHANCED TECHNOLOGY FOR EVERY CLASSROOM

Gulliver has invested \$1.7 million in technology and upgraded classrooms to ensure that students have equal access to the curriculum whether they attend class remotely or onsite.

The exclusive interactive technology suite including SMART Board 6000s, SMART Learning Suite, and all-in-one conference cameras will provide:

- A bridge between the physical and remote learning environment
- Cloud-based online software to support interactive lesson delivery and collaborative workspace
- State-of-the-art video technology to enhance the instructional experience regardless of location
- Student access from any web-enabled computer, tablet, or phone



DIGITAL PLATFORMS



myGulliver (Veracross) is our school's student information system and online learning portal. Parents and students can access grades, calendars, announcements, course content, and more. Our ETIS team has helped teachers enhance and streamline their teacher pages for easy access to information.



For students in Primary and Lower School, Seesaw is the platform for parent engagement and communication, student growth and progress, and uploading students documentation of their work (pictures and videos).



GSuite for Education is our school's communication and collaboration tools for learning anywhere, anytime, and on any device.



Zoom is a video communications platform that is used schoolwide to provide a LIVE (synchronous) learning environment, and increase student participation and learning retention in virtual and hybrid classroom scenarios.



Google Classroom is commonly used by students starting in Lower School through Upper School. Teachers leverage Google Classroom to create classes, distribute assignments, assess, and provide feedback on student work.



For students and teachers in grades 5-12, we are moving from print books to digital to facilitate our educational plans, give maximum flexibility, and save costs for families. TextbookHub is the school's new online instructional materials platform. It empowers students to access instructional materials from any device and enables teachers to create engaging experiences within the digital resources.



Gulliver developed a partnership with SMART Technologies over 15 years ago, which offers teachers and students an online learning suite with interactive lesson delivery, collaborative workspaces, game-based activities, formative assessments, and more.

ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Our community's health and safety is of the utmost importance and we want to encourage you to contact our team if you have any questions or concerns about how we are serving your family. Gulliver's administration is here to provide learning continuity for your child(ren), and to provide a strong and safe community for your entire family.

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