



Furrow Return to School & Pandemic Plan, Second Semester: Third & Fourth Nine Weeks - 2020-2021
Commitment to the chosen model for the entire second semester is required

Grade Level	K-5	6-12
Description	<p><i>Traditional</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Attend school M-F, from 7:30 AM until 2:45 PM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>Attendance is required</u> <p><i>Virtual</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Asynchronous instruction via Edgenuity Instructional Services, K-5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Edgenuity Teacher of Record - not a Furrow advisor ○ Provides K-5 Math, ELA (Reading), Science, Social Studies ○ Courses are pre-designed and all online ○ Edgenuity teaching staff will handle all student communication, tutoring, grading, and special education accommodations ○ Lessons are approximately 30 minutes each ○ Completion of work is monitored by Edgenuity and attendance is counted based on completion of work ○ <u>Attendance is required</u> ● Chromebooks and connectivity devices can be provided for home use during virtual learning by the school ● THERE WILL BE NO EIP, GIFTED, MUSIC, ART, PE, OR WORLD LANGUAGES ● Scholars who do not make satisfactory progress with Edgenuity will not pass the grade level <p><i>Faculty</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● M-F, 3:00 PM-3:25 PM for assigned virtual scholar check-ins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Used for scheduled appointments recurring weekly for advisors to make personal connections with virtual scholars - check-ins will include review of previous week's attendance, school announcements, and social-emotional touch-base 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Descriptions for Traditional and Virtual are the same as K-5, except: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Asynchronous instruction via GA Virtual courses ○ For required HS courses not offered through GA Virtual, scholars will complete work provided through their Google Classroom by their Furrow advisors (there will be no live Meet sessions) ○ MS will have 4 classes, HS will have 7 classes ○ Scholars who have not passed the first semester MUST engage in credit recovery/credit repair with Furrow advisors to pass the first semester portion of the course prior to the end of the second semester ○ Completion of work is monitored and attendance is counted based on completion of work ○ MS will have NO GIFTED, REMEDIATION, PE, ART, WORLD LANGUAGES, OR BRIDGES ○ <u>Attendance is required</u> ● Scholars who do not make satisfactory progress with GA Virtual will not pass the grade level and/or course

<p>Falcons' Nest</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Scholars will be served from 2:45 PM to 5:30 PM in the gym, in order to provide as much social distancing as possible ● Early drop off will begin at 7:00 AM at the gym ● A maximum number of 50 scholars will be served, first come, first served - based on completed applications AND paid tuition ● Scholars must be picked up no later than 5:30 PM ● The application is available here: Falcons' Nest Application
<p>Gatherings Outside the Classroom</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Governing Board Meetings will be held in the gym <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Links to attend the meetings virtually will be provided on the school's website ○ No more than 50 persons will be allowed to gather for the meetings ○ Seating will be provided at 6-foot intervals ○ Masks must be worn by anyone attending meetings in person, including all participants and attendees ● All parent meetings will be held virtually or through phone conference, when possible <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If necessary, in-person parent meetings will be held in the media center ● Parents will be contacted through Google Meet, phone, or email ● Documents can either be mailed or picked up at meal service times ● Meetings for faculty/staff will be held virtually when possible; otherwise, social distancing will be observed and masks must be worn ● Board Subcommittee Meetings will be held in the media center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All attendees must check-in at the office for temperature checks and must wear masks for the duration of their visit
<p>Supporting Student & School Culture</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Administrators will observe in physical settings to provide feedback and evaluations to advisors - mitigation strategies will be followed between classes ● Parents can sign up for Parent Portal access to Infinite Campus in order to regularly monitor their scholar's performance and attendance ● School wide announcements will be posted on our school website (furlowcharter.org), via the school's automated phone call/text/email system, and/or via Google Classroom ● Sports will follow GHSA guidelines and Furlow's Infectious Disease Plan ● Extracurricular clubs will may meet in person, but must follow these guidelines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meetings will be scheduled in the cafeteria ○ Seating will be provided at 6-foot intervals ○ Masks must be worn by anyone attending meetings in person, including all participants and attendees ○ Links to attend the meetings virtually must be provided for scholars choosing not to attend in person ● Sports team practices will meet in the following locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wrestling- cafeteria ○ Tennis- GSW courts ○ Track- outdoors at FCS ○ Baseball- outdoors at FCS ○ One Act- music classroom <p><i>Virtual</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Scholars with IEPs will be provided with Distance Learning Plans developed with the IEP team and services will be provided accordingly ● Parents of scholars in the gifted and EIP programs will waive provision of services for the remainder of the year

Supporting Student & School Culture (continued)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Scholars with English Learner services will be provided with Distance Learning Plans developed with the EL teacher and services will be provided accordingly ● Scholars will be assigned 15-minute weekly meetings for Furlow advisors to make personal connections with virtual scholars - check-ins will include review of the previous week's attendance, school announcements, and social-emotional touch-base (meetings will be held between 3:00-3:25 PM, Monday-Friday)
Charter School Program Grant Next Steps (if awarded)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Purchase scholar licenses for online learning platforms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Grades K-5 (Edgenuity) ○ Grades 6-12 (Georgia Virtual School) ● Additional costs will be expended from CARES Act allocations based on need
Preventative Practices and Classroom Environment	<p><i>Traditional</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● High mask-wearing adherence will be required at all grade levels, K-12, in all common areas and classrooms ● Social distancing will be enforced to the extent possible within each class setting ● Groups/cohorts will stay the same to limit spread ● Increased frequency for handwashing opportunities ● Upon leaving/reentering a classroom, everyone will use hand sanitizer ● Areas used by cohorts will be localized to the extent possible ● Book check-out will be allowed through individual visits to the media center, through advisors and using online access software ● Bridges classroom furniture will be sanitized between classes ● Personal protective equipment and sanitization-promoting products will be provided to school employees ● Additional sanitation supplies for utilization daily will include foggers ● Drinking spouts on all water fountains will be inaccessible ● P.E. will be held in the gym and outdoors, if practical ● Visitors will not be allowed in the building ● If parents need to check out students early, they must call the front office and their scholar will be delivered to them in front of the building ● Families will be notified in cases when scholars have been quarantined from their child's class due to identification as a close contact following the DPH definition from the 8/12/2020, update of guidance for schools, if the scholar is assigned to the classroom on the same days as their child ● Masks will be required for our sports teams at practice, where reasonable. Athletic Director Mitchell will determine what is reasonable.
Entering & Exiting the School Building	<p><i>Employees</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Temperature checks and screening questionnaires required of all advisors, staff, and Furlow Family Care participants upon entering the building ● School nurse will collect data concerning employees and students who did not attend due to COVID-19 <p><i>Scholars</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Temperature checks and screening questionnaires of all scholars while still in their vehicles ● Scholars with temperatures of 100.4°F and higher will not be allowed in building ● Scholars with symptoms indicated during completion of screening questionnaire will not be allowed in building

<p>Entering & Exiting the School Building (continued)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Masks required during dismissal, and social distancing enforced to extent possible <p><i>Drop-off/Pick-Up Lines</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● K-1st grade scholars drop off at orange hall ● 2nd-5th grade scholars drop off at red hall ● Scholars in families with multi-age children (K-5th grade) drop off at front of building ● Middle school and high school scholars will drop off at green hall
<p>Serving Meals</p>	<p><i>Traditional</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Will follow the Furlow Health Services Handbook guidelines to ensure scholars' safety ● Breakfast and lunch will be eaten in the classroom <p><i>Virtual</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cafe Furlow will provide meal service based on scholar sign-up ● Meal service sign-up will be online or by calling the office ● Meal service will include breakfast and lunch for five days ● Pick-up will be 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM each Friday
<p>Transitioning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Advisors will sanitize classroom furniture during transitions between classes ● Advisors and scholars will be required to use hand sanitizer upon leaving and returning to their classrooms, and to frequently wash their hands with soap and water ● Masks will be required in all common areas <p><i>Traditional - Scholars in Grades 6-12</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Scholars will remain in their first class of the day; advisors will rotate between classes, while scholars are stationary
<p>Community Spread Calculation Plan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Community Spread Calculation Plan will be followed to determine whether there is a need to close the facility to limit the spread and allow for increased sanitization. The plan is derived as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We will use data obtained from the DPH County Status Report, 14-Day Case Rate by Category, Confirmed COVID-19 Cases to determine the level of spread ○ The levels from the report are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ High: greater than 100 cases per 100K ■ Moderately High: greater than 50-100 cases per 100K ■ Moderate: greater than 10-50 cases per 100K ■ Not Calculated: less than 5 cases reported ○ The report will be checked each Friday. When/if Sumter County reaches greater than 250 cases per 100K, all traditional scholars will follow the virtual model for their classes for the following two weeks. Parents will be notified that Wednesday. Chromebooks will be sent home as needed. ○ School level spread will be calculated based on the number of traditional scholars and/or employees with confirmed positive cases. Parents will be notified each Wednesday if the school level spread is such that warrants closure. If so, the same procedures as community spread will be followed. ● The administration reserves the right to update this calculation plan based on need and consideration of the number of scholars returning to the building.

**Handling
Probable or
Confirmed
Positive Cases**

Handling Probable or Confirmed Positive Cases of COVID-19 in School Employees, Scholars & Furlow Family Care Participants

- Persons reasonably suspected of infectious disease will be immediately counseled to obtain a medical evaluation
 - If a school employee, scholar or participant in Furlow Family Care tests positive for COVID-19 see the following:
 - Symptomatic persons with confirmed COVID-19 or suspected COVID-19
 - Who had mild or moderate illness* and are not severely immunocompromised can return to school after:
 - At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared **and**
 - At least 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **and**
 - Symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath) have improved
 - Who had severe to critical illness* (if they were hospitalized for shortness of breath, pneumonia, low oxygen levels, respiratory failure, septic shock, and/or multiple organ failure) * or who are severely immunocompromised can return to school after:
 - At least 20 days have passed since symptoms first appeared **and**
 - At least 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **and**
 - Symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath) have improved
- *NOTE:
- Mild Illness:** Individuals who have any of the various signs and symptoms of COVID-19 (e.g., fever, cough, sore throat, malaise, headache, muscle pain) without shortness of breath, dyspnea, or abnormal chest imaging.
- Moderate Illness:** Individuals who have evidence of lower respiratory disease by clinical assessment or imaging, and a saturation of oxygen (SpO₂) ≥94% on room air at sea level.
- Severe Illness:** Individuals who have respiratory frequency >30 breaths per minute, SpO₂ <94% on room air at sea level (or, for patients with chronic hypoxemia, a decrease from baseline of >3%), ratio of arterial partial pressure of oxygen to fraction of inspired oxygen (PaO₂/FiO₂) <300 mmHg, or lung infiltrates >50%.
- Critical Illness:** Individuals who have respiratory failure, septic shock, and/or multiple organ dysfunction.
- Asymptomatic persons with confirmed COVID-19:
 - Who are not severely immunocompromised can return to school after:
 - At least 10 days have passed since the positive laboratory test and the person remains asymptomatic
 - Who are severely immunocompromised can return to school after:
 - At least 10 days have passed since the positive laboratory test and the person remains asymptomatic
 - Note, asymptomatic persons who test positive and later develop symptoms should follow the guidance for symptomatic persons above.
 - Asymptomatic persons who have a known exposure to a person with COVID-19 without appropriate PPE can return to school after:
 - They have completed all requirements in the Department of Public Health’s guidance for persons exposed to COVID-19 found at <https://dph.georgia.gov/contact>
 - Of note, if this person is tested for COVID-19 during the 14-day quarantine period, a negative test result would **not** change or decrease the time a person is quarantined.
 - When a school employee, scholar or Furlow Family Care participant tests positive for COVID-19 and has exposed others at the school, the following steps will be IMMEDIATELY implemented:
 - If notified of a case in a school employee, scholar or Furlow Family Care participant, they must be excluded throughout their isolation period. Any household members (siblings, etc.) must also be excluded during their quarantine period.
 - Was the case(s) contagious while in the facility [two (2) days before onset of symptoms or two (2) days before the test specimen was collected (if no symptoms)]?

<p>Handling Probable or Confirmed Positive Cases (continued)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ No →No further action after excluding the case and household members ■ Yes →Follow actions below <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All close contacts will be identified ● All areas the person was in while contagious will be temporarily closed until cleaning is done <p><i>Handling Symptoms (No Testing & Not Linked to Positive Case) in School Employees, Scholars & Furlow Family Care Participants</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Persons reasonably suspected of infectious disease will be immediately counseled to obtain a medical evaluation ● When a school employee, scholar or Furlow Family Care participant has symptoms, they will IMMEDIATELY be sent home and the school's existing illness management policy will be implemented. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The person cannot return until symptom-free for 24 hours without fever reducing medications. ○ Quarantining close contacts is not necessary. ○ Exceptions: If a healthcare provider suspects COVID-19 they should remain out of school and follow the guidance regarding returning to school under “<i>Handling Probable or Confirmed Positive Cases of COVID-19 in School Employees, Scholars & Furlow Family Care Participants.</i>” ○ The school will continue to monitor children and staff for clinical signs and symptoms. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Exception: If while quarantined, the individual identifies exposure to a laboratory confirmed COVID case, he/she should follow the guidance located under “<i>Handling Probable or Confirmed Positive Cases of COVID-19 in School Employees, Scholars & Furlow Family Care Participants.</i>”
<p>Quarantining Close Contacts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If notified of a case in a scholar, advisor, or staff member, they must be excluded throughout their isolation period. Any household members (siblings, etc.) must also be excluded during their quarantine period. Parents, advisors, and staff members must be advised of DPH's home isolation criteria. ● Was the case(s) contagious while in the facility? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No →No further action after excluding the case and household members ○ Yes↓ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Identify all close contacts ■ Plan to temporarily close all areas the person was in while contagious until cleaning is done ● Identify close contacts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Do an exposure assessment to identify close contacts if feasible. Anyone who was within 6 feet of the case for more than 15 minutes in a school setting should be quarantined. ○ Social distancing may not be feasible for scholars in a classroom. For this reason, there may be circumstances when all scholars, advisors, and staff in a classroom with a case may be considered close contacts and require quarantine. ○ If there is uncertainty about the length of exposure or proximity to the case, the individual should be considered a close contact ○ All close contacts must be excluded from the school until fourteen days after last contact with the case (usually the last day the case attended). If a close contact becomes ill and is diagnosed with COVID-19, they must remain excluded for their isolation period and until told they are no longer contagious. Refer to DPH's “Return to School and Child Care Guidance After COVID-19 Illness or Exposure” ○ If a quarantined scholar, advisor, or staff member is tested while in quarantine and receives negative results, he/she must remain in quarantine for the entire 14 days. ● Administrators will have ultimate discretion in determining close contacts

Family Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Families will be notified in cases when scholars have been quarantined from their child's class due to identification as a close contact following the DPH definition from the 8/12/2020, update of guidance for schools, if the scholar is assigned to the classroom on the same days as their child● School wide announcements will be posted on our school website (furlowcharter.org), via the school's automated phone call/text/email system, and/or via Google Classroom● Parents are encouraged to sign up for the parent portal through Infinite Campus by contacting the school● Should the full-day model be selected, parent information meetings to answer questions and talk through the model will be held Thursday, December 17th, at 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM through Google Meet<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Sign up here for the link to be sent to your email prior to the meeting: Parent Meeting Sign-Up● Weekly Furlow COVID-19 Status Reports will be published to the school's website and Facebook page
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