

## **Transition Plans for Re-Opening Jean Massieu Academy Due to COVID-19 Pandemic**

- I. **Change School Start Date** – proposing to JMF board of directors to approve change of school start date from **August 17<sup>th</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>**. The purpose for changing the first day of instruction is to:
  - a. Allow for teachers to have additional time to plan for Distance/Remote instruction for Pre-k -12<sup>th</sup> grades
  - b. Allow time for teachers to receive additional training for Google Classroom or any other Learning Management System to manage student instruction
  - c. Additional time to order web cams or any other additional tech. equipment for Distance /Remote learning
  - d. Additional time will enable parents to plan for Distance/Remote learning and additional time to prepare for **ON CAMPUS** instruction and learning that will begin on **September 28<sup>th</sup>**
  - e. Give JMA admin. team extra time to order additional materials for students for Distance/Remote learning and allow administrative team time to assist teachers at planning instruction through Texas Home Learning 3.0 (<https://texashomelearning.org/>) provided by TEA
  - f. All Arlington Charter Schools and Arlington ISD are also participating in Distance/Remote at home learning for students until September 28<sup>th</sup>
  - g. With the new start time of 7:30, the extra minutes will allow us to meet and exceed the minimum state 75,600 instructional minutes
  - h. A waiver will be available during transition time for up to 8 weeks and schools will not be penalized until return to On Campus Instruction
  - i. TEA approved funding for no “hold harmless” for up to 8 weeks after the first day of instruction
  - j. Moving our start date will minimally impact the current operational budget. It will be positive for the current budget
- II. **Distance/Remote Online Learning at Home for JMA students and staff beginning Aug. 31st:**
  - a. Sending out Parent survey to all parents for Internet connectivity information and learning device info. at their homes (this coming week)
  - b. Provide parents with Internet resources, hot spots and extra devices if needed according to survey info. received
  - c. Students will begin classwork and instruction on Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup> from home
  - d. Students will be participating in “asynchronous” instruction as defined by TEA, online through Google Classroom with other online programs:
    - i. Pre-K – Frog Street Press – online activities and hard copy
    - ii. K-12<sup>th</sup> grades Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for English Language ARTS, online resources

- iii. Go Math Houghton Mifflin – K – 12<sup>th</sup> Online math
  - iv. Prodigy Online Math 3-12 grades
  - v. Science Fusion – 5-8 grades
  - vi. Social Studies – Houghton Mifflin 5-8
  - vii. A to Z Reading for students to read books online from home
  - viii. All teachers will be using Texas Home Learning 3.0, Resources <https://texashomelearning.org/> provided by TEA for additional supplemental learning resources for their students
  - e. All teachers will use Google Classroom for Education for the JMA Learning Management System
  - f. Attendance will be reported daily online (TBD)
  - g. A specific Asynchronous Distance Learning Plan will be submitted to TEA in September for approval with guidance from Region 11
  - h. Teachers will report to campus a minimum for 1 day a week for distance learning guidance and student progress monitoring. New or inexperienced teachers will report to campus a minimum of 3 days a week providing no symptoms of COVID
  - i. Teachers will receive additional training on online resources and Google classroom
- III. **On Campus Instruction Plan** – JMA on campus instruction is planned to begin on **Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**, face to face with teachers providing it is safe and no additional health orders. On Campus Instruction safety measures and social distancing protocols are being put into place from the guidance of *TEA's Public Health Guidance Handbook*, guidance from the CDC and local health agencies such as:
- a. Temperature checks at drop off stations in the morning for students
  - b. Hand sanitizing stations at all entry points of the school
  - c. Mandatory masks for all students and staff members during regular school hour
  - d. 7:30 start time to allow additional time for COVID-19 screenings
  - e. Additional cleaning and sanitizing throughout the school day
  - f. Additional deep cleaning from professional cleaning company twice a week after school hours
  - g. Adding additional sanitizing equipment to assist with washing masks
  - h. Purchased UV light boxes to assist at sanitizing materials
  - i. JMA staff and teachers are design flexible seating arrangements and outdoor classroom spaces to use weather permitting
  - j. Staff and teachers will self-check for COVID-19 symptoms each day
  - k. No outside visitors will be allowed on campus during regular school hours 7:30-3:00 except in an emergency situation or on the approval of superintendent/principal
  - l. Food service procedures are being revised. Students will receive pre-packaged meals

- m. Protective barriers will be used in classrooms and around the school campus in populated areas to keep social distancing guidelines in place
- n. All instructional spaces and classrooms will allow for social distancing between students and their peers and teachers and new health/safety procedures will be put into place school wide with the following:
  - o. Additional desk and instructional space barriers
  - p. Teacher face shields / masks
  - q. Hand sanitizing station in each classroom space for students only
  - r. **No communal supplies.** Each student will be required to have and keep their OWN school supplies in their own school box that will stay at school daily for sanitation at the end of every school day
  - s. Flexible seating within the classrooms that will allow for social distance space for instruction
  - t. Mandatory daily/weekly guidance for use of Google classroom for additional online instruction. Teachers will incorporate into instructional lessons use of technology, video equipment, video interaction to reduce peer/social interactions during the school day that promotes health and student safety at a distance
  - u. Regularly scheduled handwashing restroom breaks for each classroom and students throughout the school day
  - v. Additional instruction by school personnel and teachers on social distancing rules, handwashing, other safe health practices to minimize exposure to a virus or illness
  - w. Limited group activities within the indoor instructional spaces

The above listed items are “highlights” of our Transitional plans from Distance/Remote Instruction and Learning to On Campus Instruction and Learning. This plan is not all inclusive of the new policies and procedures for the upcoming school year as they are still being developed. Any revisions or updates will be included in our official ***Jean Massieu Academy Health and Safety Plan/Guidance*** for campus re-opening that will be available before the first day of On Campus Instruction.