



August 24, 2020

Hello School Age Families,

As we quickly move into September, many questions are coming up and I want to share the very latest information that I have. **I also invite you to a Zoom meeting on September 1 at 6 pm for all School Age families.** You will see more about that below.

We are excited to welcome kindergartners, and 1st and 2nd graders whose schools have gone to a full virtual model. PIC's School Day Support (SDS) Program will provide hands-on support for remote learning, plus opportunities for socialization and outdoor play that will be so very needed.

We will continue with strict adherence to the health and safety protocols we put in place in July. We were so happy to see how well they worked in our Early Learning and School Age Summer Camp programs.

The School Day Support Program hours will be from 8 am - 6 pm, Monday through Friday. We are currently told that the schools will expect the children to be online by 8:30 am, so we expect children to arrive in time to get settled in their rooms and be ready to go by 8:30 am. And, just as we did for Summer Camp, we will implement staggered drop-off and pick up times.

You will drop-off and pick-up your child(ren) outside the Stucco and Aviary buildings where teachers will be stationed to give a health screening each morning. Parents will not come inside the School Age buildings.

New for September: We will introduce a new electronic health screening tool for all PIC families and staff to use before arriving at PIC each day. Each morning, families will be sent a text with questions that screen for COVID-19 symptoms and situations. These

are the same questions that we have been asking all summer. With more children to welcome each day, this will help expedite the morning screening process.

We will continue with morning temperature taking of each child before entering PIC.

We must continue to emphasize the need for a quick drop-off and pick-up, with little face-to-face communication with your child's teachers. This is our best way right now to decrease the possibility of infection.

The most important part of the morning screening is everyone's commitment to take it seriously and approach the questions honestly. The community will stay healthy and open if everyone works together.

Over the summer, the children did a terrific job with mask wearing while in the classrooms. We thank our families as it is very clear that mask wearing has been practiced at home. We are asking all new families and those returning in September, to practice mask wearing at home as much as possible before joining or returning to PIC .

NEXT STEPS:

- **Families must complete the [Family Agreement document](#) by FRIDAY, AUGUST 28.**

Once it has been signed, you can scan it and email to Grace Piana at gpiana@parentinfantcenter.org, or you can place a copy in the new Enrollment Mailbox located outside the Sweet Building near the ramp.

- **Families must complete this [School-Day Support Program Information survey](#) by MONDAY, AUGUST 31.**

This information is essential for us to finalize enrollment and classroom planning. It will help determine drop-off and pick-up times that will work best for your schedule. We also want to know your child's assigned classroom, and any class schedule you've been given.

- **PIC MUST have an updated child health form and emergency contact forms on file.** Families will be contacted if new or updated forms are needed.
- We will send you the latest [COVID-19 Family Handbook](#) before the year begins. It is currently being updated.
- Here are answers to a few [School Day Support FAQs](#) we have heard.
- **We will be hosting an informational session via ZOOM for the School-day Support Program on Tuesday, September 1 at 6pm.**

School-day Support Program Info Session

Time: Sep 1, 2020 06:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83970728247>

Meeting ID: 839 7072 8247

While nothing over the last 6 months has been easy, I continue to feel blessed that we have wonderful teachers who are willing to face some big challenges and families who believe in PIC and are willing to follow our outlined protocols to a tee. I have heard countless times from parents over the last 8 weeks that they love seeing their child filled with such joy in wanting to come to PIC each day!

Thank you for believing in PIC.

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

Deb Green
Executive Director