



## THE CAMPHILL SCHOOL

*A community serving children with intellectual and developmental disabilities since 1963*

Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are very pleased with the beginning of the school year so far given the circumstances that have been accompanying it. It is to the credit of our entire school community that we have been able to find new and creative ways of meeting the students' needs all the while maintaining everyone's health and safety to the maximum extent possible. We want to thank you for your continued commitment to and support of The Camp Hill School in these difficult times.

The purpose of this communication is to inform you of some changes to our school calendar that we have recently decided upon. Looking ahead into the upcoming fall and winter season and cognizant of the fact that COVID cases are on the rise again in Pennsylvania and around the country we have come to the decision to continue the current school term through Thanksgiving until just before Christmas. We are doing this in order to minimize the health and safety risks associated with more frequent transitions of our boarding students from one setting to another, especially in those instances where travel across state lines is concerned, which is the case for a significant number of our student population. We are doing this also to support families in their travel planning and to minimize the impact of potential quarantine requirements on the lives and well-being of our families<sup>1</sup>.

This decision will impact our school calendar as follows:

- There will be no Thanksgiving vacation for boarding students. The weekend of Thanksgiving, including Thanksgiving Day, will be an optional weekend for parents of boarding students to take their children home (all quarantine rules would apply).
- There will be school for all students on Monday, November 23, Tuesday, November 24, and Wednesday, November 25, with an early dismissal at 12.30pm for day students on Wednesday.
- There will be no school on Thanksgiving Day and Black Friday. Day students will remain at home.
- The last day of school for all students prior to Winter Break will be Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup> with an early dismissal at 12.30pm for day students.
- Residential students will return from Winter Vacation on Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>.
- The first day of school after Winter Vacation will be Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> The PA Department of Health currently requires all individuals entering the state from a state listed as high risk on their website's travel page (<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Travelers.aspx>) to quarantine in PA for 14 days before they are allowed to return to school.



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- Presidents' Day on February 15, 2021 will become a school day for all students.

Please find attached an updated version of our school calendar for this year.

Please note that upon return from Winter break or any other out-of-state travel, self-quarantine requirements for entry into Pennsylvania will be in effect as per the PA Department of Health (<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Travelers.aspx>). This recommendation for the general public is a requirement for school attendance, per the Chester County Health Department.

Please also follow public health guidance before and while you have your child at home and review our Health & Safety Plan (available at <https://camphillschool.org/>).

Thank you all for your understanding of these changes in the interest of the health and safety of all. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns that you may have.

Sincerely,

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### **2020/21 Arrival & Departure Guide – revised – 10/14/2020 – changes in bold**

#### **SEPTEMBER 2020**

Sunday, September 6	Boarding students return
Monday, September 7	Labor Day – New boarding students arrive
Tuesday, September 8	Day students return – Classes resume

#### **OCTOBER 2020**

#### **NOVEMBER 2020**

<b>Wednesday, November 25</b>	<b>EARLY DISMISSAL, 12:30 PM FOR DAY STUDENTS</b>
<b>Thursday, November 26</b>	<b>Thanksgiving – No Classes</b>
<b>Friday, November 27</b>	<b>No Classes</b>

#### **DECEMBER 2020**

<b>Friday, December 18</b>	<b>Last day for day and boarding students</b> <b>EARLY DISMISSAL, 12:30 PM FOR DAY STUDENTS</b>
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### **JANUARY 2021**

**Sunday, January 10**  
**Monday, January 11**  
Monday, January 18

**Boarding students return**  
**Day students return - Classes resume**  
MLK – No Classes

### **FEBRUARY 2021**

Friday, February 12  
**Monday, February 15**

EARLY DISMISSAL, 12:30 PM FOR DAY STUDENTS  
**Presidents' Day – Classes take place**

### **MARCH 2021**

### **APRIL 2021**

Friday April 2  
Sunday, April 4  
Sunday, April 18  
Monday, April 19

Last day for day students  
Last day for boarding students  
Boarding students return  
Day students return - Classes resume

### **MAY 2021**

Friday, May 28  
Monday, May 31

EARLY DISMISSAL, 12:30 PM FOR DAY STUDENTS  
Memorial Day – No Classes

### **JUNE 2021**

Friday, June 25

Last day for day students  
EARLY DISMISSAL, 12:30 PM FOR DAY STUDENTS  
Last day for boarding students not attending ESY  
Boarding students attending ESY remain on campus  
ESY program begins for boarding students  
ESY program begins for day students

Saturday, June 26  
Monday, June 28

### **JULY 2021**

Friday July 23

ESY program for day and boarding students ends

### **SEPTEMBER 2021**

Sunday, September 5  
Monday, September 6  
Tuesday, September 7

Boarding students return  
Labor Day – New boarding students arrive  
Day students return – Classes resume