

ACORN MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL

CHILDREN FIRST, ALWAYS

Celebrating 20 Years of Excellence

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The health and safety of our students and our staff continues to be our number one priority. While we have always had rigorous cleaning and sanitization practices, we want to reassure you that we have gone above and beyond the recommendations in order to safely provide on-site support services. The following procedures will be followed:

- A daily wellness check will be given to every child upon entry into the building.
 - This includes a daily temperature check, questions being answered by parents.
- All Acorn Montessori staff will also do daily temperature checks and wellness screenings upon entry.
- Face coverings are required for all students and staff in addition to social distancing as is possible for the student demographic.
- Handwashing is prioritized; youth and staff are washing hands upon entry, after every activity, before and after mealtime.
- Students will be in small groups led by staff across the building. No large gatherings inside or outside.
- Recess and break times will be staggered.
- Extended space during all meals.
- All items, playground equipment, furniture, and anything students use will be cleaned, disinfected, and sanitized daily and multiple times throughout the day.
- We will have a no visitor policy until further notice.
- All adults must wear face coverings and use hand sanitizer upon entry; students will continue to wash hands upon entry.
- **DROP-OFF** - Parents will pull up to the gym double doors, or north campus front entrance, stay while their child has a wellness check, check their child in, and a classroom or office staff member will walk the student to their on-site area. This is to limit contact and ensure the recommended distancing policies.
- **PICK-UP** – Parents will pull up to the gym double doors, or north campus front entrance, and a staff member will walk the child to their parents to leave for the day.
- All special events have been cancelled until further notice in order to follow the no large gathering guideline.
- Children will be kept in designated areas during on-site distance learning.

Everyone is equally susceptible to contracting COVID-19 upon exposure. Currently, there is no cure or vaccination available to prevent contracting COVID-19. Proper sanitation practices, avoiding contact with infected persons, and self-quarantine at the onset of symptoms are the most effective ways to prevent contraction and spread within the community.

Attached to this letter is the acknowledgment form that must be completed prior to the student starting on-site support services. We appreciate your support and trust in us while we navigate this difficult time in our community. Should you have any questions, concerns, or needs for clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Acorn Montessori Charter School Health & Wellness Agreement

Date: _____

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Main Campus 3rd - 8th: 8556 E. Loos Dr., Prescott Valley, AZ 86314 - Phone 928.772.5778; Fax 928.775.8654

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Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

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This information abides by all Acorn Montessori School's confidentiality policies. To help us monitor health conditions in our program, please read the symptoms below. If your child has exhibited any symptoms within the past 72 hours, your child is not allowed on campus. The below symptoms are not only for COVID-19, but other viral, bacterial, or fungal infections. List compiled from www.Yavapai.us/chs

Fever over 100°	Diarrhea	Abdominal Pain	Nasal Congestion	Rash	Sore Throat
Vomiting	Difficulty breathing	Runny nose	Stiffness in neck	Body Aches	Fatigue
Shortness of breath	Cough	Rapid heartbeat			

Acorn Montessori Charter School staff will seek immediate medical attention/advice if we notice your child exhibiting any of the following warning signs of a case of COVID-19:

List compiled from [CDC.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov)

- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- Cough
- Persistent pain or pressure in chest
- Disorientation, lethargy, or inability to arouse
- Bluish lips or face

By signing below, I hereby understand that:

- Should my child exhibit any of the above symptoms, I will keep my child home until symptom free and fever free for 72 hours. **Initial** _____
- I understand that if a positive case of COVID 19 is reported in a student or staff member at Acorn Montessori School, we will close for a minimum of 72 hours to 14 days to follow the County Health and CDC guidelines for disinfecting and cleaning following a positive result. **Initial** _____.
- I understand that despite all of the best health and sanitation guidelines and protocols being followed, there is still a greater risk of my child contracting COVID-19 and/or other illnesses when exposed to students and staff in a public setting such as school and community locations. **Initial** _____.
- I understand that if Acorn Montessori School staff, or any of their partners from Yavapai County Health, Arizona Department of Health, notice my child displaying any of the above symptoms, I or another emergency contact will be available to retrieve my child from care within one hour of being contacted. **Initial** _____

Name (Printed) _____ Signature _____ Date _____

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