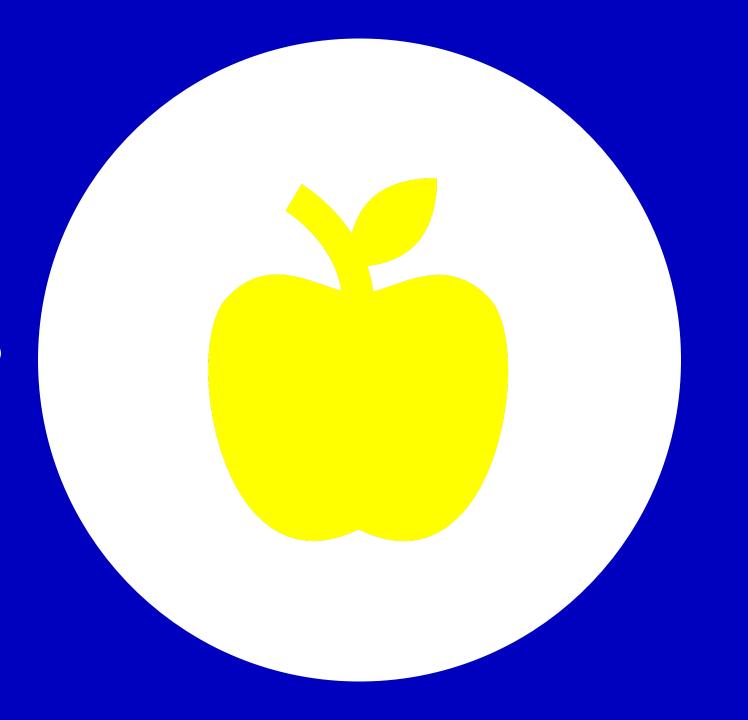
# THE ROAD BACK TO SUNDANCE

In-person, child-safe, and learning-strong education for children ages 2 years – 5<sup>th</sup> grade

We are confident that the Sundance community will continue to stand strong as we move forward with plans to provide every student with an outstanding education and embrace our new normal. Our goal is to welcome students and teachers back to campus in the safest way possible, while meeting the needs of our families.

# Healthy Behaviors



- Staff and students who have recently had close contact with a person with COVID-19 should stay home, monitor their health, and follow CDC's guidelines for a safe return to work/school.
- Staff and students should stay home if they have tested positive for or are showing COVID-19 symptoms. They will be permitted to return to work/school after they have met the CDC's criteria to discontinue home isolation, are symptom-free, and 24 hours fever-free without medication.
- All indoor and outdoor learning environments will be equipped with adequate supplies to support healthy hygiene. Hand hygiene
  and respiratory etiquette will be taught and reinforced throughout the day. If handwashing with soap and water for at least 20
  seconds is not feasible, EPA approved hand sanitizer will be available.
- Healthy Behavior education will be an essential part of each student's school day. Students will wash hands upon arrival, before
  and after mealtimes, and frequently throughout the day. They will be reminded to keep their masks on and to refrain from
  touching their faces. Social distancing will be maintained.
- Cloth face coverings will be worn indoors by all staff and students (ages 3 and up). Criteria for proper use, wearing, removal, and washing of masks will be provided to students, staff, and families.
- Signs describing how to stop the spread of COVID-19, which promote everyday protective measures, will be posted in each classroom and in all highly visible locations throughout both indoor and outdoor learning spaces.

  Additionally, social distancing "6 feet apart" signage will be posted on walls and floors.
- Classrooms, classroom materials, outdoor learning spaces, playground equipment, bathrooms, and all high traffic areas will be safely and correctly sanitized between use throughout the school day. The entire school will be cleaned and sanitized nightly. EPA approved disinfection criteria will be followed.

# Arrival and Dismissal

- Only staff, students, and NJ State Licensing personnel will be allowed into the Sundance School building, no exceptions.
- Upon arrival, parents/guardians/designated caregivers will be greeted by a Drop-off Team member and directed to the health screening area. Parents/designated caregivers/guardians will remain in their vehicles to complete their child's daily Health Screening Form. This COVID-19 health and wellness survey will require parents to record their child's temperature one hour before coming to school. Additionally, the form will ask parents to confirm that their child is free of all COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath, pink-eye, allergy-like symptoms, sore throat, diarrhea, gastro-intestinal upset, flu-like symptoms, headache, loss of taste or smell).
- Upon receipt of the completed Health Screening form, a Dropoff Team member will remove your child from the vehicle for an onsite contactless Infrared Temperature Screening. A temperature reading of 100.0 degrees F would be considered a fever. The child would then be returned safely to the car and sent home

## Student Life

- We will ensure that student and staff groupings are as static as possible by having the same group of children stay with the same staff during the school day.
- These small cohorts (groupings of 8 -10 students) will remain together throughout the course of the school day without any in-person interaction with other cohorts or staff members.
- Students will not be permitted to bring toys from home, no exceptions.
- Books, toys ,electronic devices, learning aids, games will not be shared at any time.
- Each student will be provided with his/her own supplies.
- Each student's belongings will be separated from others' and stored in individually labeled cubbies, areas, containers and desks where applicable.
- Staff will wear disposable gloves when cleaning and sanitizing surfaces used for food, before and after each mealtime, and whenever sanitizing hard surfaces.
- Students will be required to bring their own snacks, lunch, and refillable water bottles to school each day. Social distancing will be strictly enforced and maintained throughout the day and whenever eating or drinking.
- Desks and seating will be spaced 6 feet apart, facing in the same direction.
- Our school-safe ventilation system and A/C units have been newly filtered and properly cleaned. Professional system inspections and upkeep will be ongoing.
- To increase the circulation of outdoor air as much as possible, classroom windows and doors will be opened during the day.
- Teachers and students will enjoy the benefits of outdoor teaching and learning each school day during the fall semester.

### FAQ's

When is the first/last day of school?

Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> is the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school for all students. Friday, June 18<sup>th</sup> is scheduled to be the last day.

 What time should I arrive with my child for health screening/onsite temperature check? What time is dismissal?

Arrival/dismissal times are as follows:

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Kindergarten, 3<sup>rd/</sup>4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>

9:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. Lower School(Moon/Tree/Sun),

Grades 1 and 2

# Will the entire school close if someone in the community tests positive for the COVID-19 virus?

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- Please note:
  - 1. If an Executive order mandating a statewide lockdown is issued by Governor Murphy's office at any point during the school year, Sundance will pivot to remote learning for all students.
  - 2. If 1 staff, student, or immediate family member of a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, that student's/staff member's cohort will be closed for 14 days.
  - 3. If 2 or more students, staff members, or immediate family members of a student or staff member test positive for COVID-19 the entire school will close for 14 days period for deep cleaning/sanitizing.

# More FAQ's

#### What will a typical day be like for students now that they cannot transition from class to class?

 We know our Phase 1 may seem somewhat restrictive, but the health and safety of our students, families, and staff must remain our top priority. Our mission to support and nurture the inner being, physical body, and social emotional development of our students remains steadfast. We are brainstorming every creative way possible to fill the days with the joyful learning our children so dearly miss so that they can develop, discover and hone the skills they need for success while in the loving care of our gifted educators.

#### Will the outdoor learning be more than just play?

 Our teachers are in the process of designing lessons and activities across all subject areas (both inside the classroom and in our outdoor learning spaces) that foster meaningful engagement, inspire curiosity, spark imagination, and embrace the wonder of childhood.

#### Will there be shows, concerts, special events?

 We promise to keep the Arts an integral part of the Sundance experience no matter what. Although performances and large gatherings will remain on the "wish list" for the time being, our Arts Specialists will continue to offer classes (albeit in a slightly different format) in Art, Dance, Drama, Music, World Language, and STEM. All students will enjoy the arts-integrated experience that has set Sundance apart from other schools for over 40 years. We've got magic to do, and we are thrilled that you and your children will be a part of it!

#### When will I meet my child's teachers?

Virtual orientations are being scheduled for the afternoon of Friday, September 11.
 Please be on the lookout for a Zoom invitation from your child's teacher.

#### What changes were made to the classrooms?

Each classroom space has been modified to conform with the applicable guidelines.
 Desks and tables in the classroom will face in the same direction. Wherever possible, seating will be spaced to allow for the recommended social distancing.

#### What if a child forgets their mask?

• Sundance will have masks and hand sanitizer available to children who come to school without their own.

#### Will there be visitors allowed on campus?

There will be no visitors allowed on campus while we adjust to the new operations.
 We will develop a visitor protocol with screening questions to be used if/when it is safe to allow visitors on campus.

### More FAQs

#### Can I order lunch for my child?

 During our Phase 1 - we will not offer an outside food service.

#### Full-day students:

 Please provide a lunch, 2 snacks, and a refillable water bottle each day.

#### Half-day students:

 Please provide 2 snacks and a refillable water bottle

#### What if I forget to send lunch or snack?

 Sundance will provide a healthy lunch and/or snack for your child whenever necessary.

#### What if I miss drop-off?

 Please call the office from your car when you arrive and a staff member will come to the car.

#### What if I cannot get there in time for dismissal?

Kindly call the office if you are running late.

#### What if I need my child dismissed early?

 Please email the office and your child's teacher in advance re: date and time of the early dismissal. When you arrive in the parking lot, kindly call the school and a staff member will escort your child to your car.

#### Can I bring a treat for my child's birthday?

 Sundance will provide all birthday items. Your child will have a choice of ice-pops or Smart-Pop. We will celebrate decorative napkins and plates.

Name of Student:	Date:
Parent/Guardian/Authorized Caregiver Cell	
Grade/Teacher	
Your child's morning temperature reading	
Is your child experiencing any of the following symptoms?	Please Circle One
1. Fever	YES NO
Cough or shortness of breath	YES NO
3. Sore Throat	YES NO
4. Chills	YES NO
5. Flu-like symptoms	YES NO
Allergy-like symptoms	YES NO
7. Pink-eye	YES NO
8. Head-ache	YES NO
New loss of taste of smell	YES NO
Gastrointestinal upset/diarrhea	YES NO
Have you or your child been in contact with someone who is cu	rrently sick?
Have you or your child been diagnosed with COVID-19 in the la to believe that either one of you have COVID-19.	ast three weeks or have reason
Have you or your child traveled or had close contact with some internationally or to a restricted state?	one who has traveled
Parent/Guardian/Authorized Caregiver Signature	
This completed form must be submitted daily before your child	can be admitted into the school

Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

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### Our **SUNsational** Teaching Team

#### **LOWER SCHOOL:**

Ms. Laura and Ms. Josefa

#### **KINDERGARTEN:**

Ms. Kate, Ms. Donna, Ms. Stephanie

#### **GRADES 1 and 2:**

Ms. Emmy and Ms. Diane

#### **GRADE 3:**

Ms. Tracy and Ms. Rendon

#### **GRADE 5:**

Mrs. Idleman and Ms. Cynthia

#### **TEACHING ARTISTS AND SPECIALISTS:**

Physical Education - Mr. Daniel

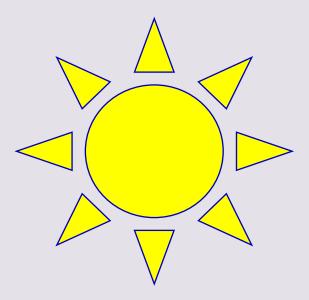
Art - Ms. Cynthia

Spanish - Senora Sylvie

Instrumental Music Instruction - Dr. Ted (Doc) Schlosberg

Dance, Creative Movement, Drama, Music - Ms. Joann and Ms. Janet

# Closing Remarks



YOU MAY REST ASSURED THAT ALTHOUGH THE "NEW" SUNDANCE WILL SEEM SLIGHTLY UNFAMILIAR AT FIRST, OUR STEADFAST COMMITMENT TO IGNITE WITHIN THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF OUR STUDENTS A PASSION TO MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE, WHILE INSPIRING THEM TO BE LIFELONG LEARNERS, IS STRONGER THAN EVER.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO TRAVELING WITH YOU ON THE ROAD BACK TO SUNDANCE!

