

# **American Pacific International School**



28 May, 2021

Dear APIS/APISP Parent Community,

We have recently been informed by the Chiangmai Ministry of Education Office that International Schools are able to re-open prior to the original date of June 14th. This is great news for our community! APIS and APISP will be able to **return to face to face/on campus teaching & learning on 1 June.** 

The following are the specifics for returning to a safe and secure learning environment on both campuses please take time to be familiar with all areas. 8

- Classes will begin at 8:30 and dismissal is at 3:30.
- Students will need to wear a mask during the day please send your child with 2 masks each day.
- Social distancing will be enforced with a minimum of 1.5 meters between students at all times
- Dismissal will be promptly at 3:30 for now, students and families are not allowed to remain on campus, as our cleaners need time to disinfect the school to welcome students for the next day.
- All visitors will be required to check in using the QR code at our entrances.

### Calendar changes:

- **31 May** Teacher work day <u>no school for students</u>
- 1 June 1st day of Face to Face teaching and learning (Students on campus)
- **3 June** <u>Regular school day</u> we will not be observing the previously planned holiday
- **4 June** Grade 12 Graduation (with limited participation)
- 7-11 June MAP testing (gr. 2-11 students only)
- **18 June** ½ Day for students, Report Card distribution, Last day of 2020-2021 school year.

**Student Attendance:** In support of our many families who have already left Chiangmai, we will continue to run a hybrid program until the end of the academic school year. This means that our teachers and staff will work to provide teaching and learning for students who are able to attend in person for face to face instruction <u>AND</u> will provide zoom links and posted assignments for those students who are not able to join us on campus when we return.

#### Individual items:

- Water bottles, hand towels, and hats. These items will need to be labeled and will be sent home daily for sanitizing.
- Individual cutlery will be provided for students at each meal during the day
- individual supplies will be provided in the classroom there will not be access to any shared supplies.

#### Temperature checking:

- We will be checking all students who use school transportation before they ride the bus/van (both before and after school)
- We will be checking all students, staff and parents/visitors at the school entrance:
- If anyone is found to have a fever, running nose or any contagious sickness they will not be given access to the campus.
- If students have a fever or are not feeling well during the day, they will be isolated in the Nurse office and parents will be called to pick their children up immediately.

**Handwashing:** we will be sharing information about handwashing and teaching our students the importance of regular cleaning. Soap and towels will be plentiful and available for all students at our many handwashing stations. Hand sanitizer is also available in classrooms and around campus.



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**Classroom Disinfecting:** Our cleaning staff will continue to work to keep all classrooms and common areas germ free. Regular disinfecting of toys, tables and chairs will occur daily. Bathrooms will be cleaned and sanitized hourly.

**Visitors:** We will only be welcoming parents on a limited basis into the office area.

- Parents are not allowed into the classroom area of the school.
- Pick up and Drop off will take place at the entrance door to the canteen for the Primary Campus
- Pick up and Drop off will take place in the drop off loop at the Main Campus.

**Staying informed:** We ask that all families maintain an open and honest line of communication with our school staff. If anyone in the family becomes ill or you are hosting family or friends from outside of Chiangmai, it is asked that you inform the school.

We will continue to communicate regularly with all of our APIS/APISP families through the weekly bulletin. If you have questions about any of our plans or procedures, please contact our building level administrators. Thank you for your continued trust in us as a school. We are looking forward to seeing the students back on campus.

Best Regards, APIS Senior Leadership Team