

# El Paso Education Initiative, Inc.

Howard Burnham Elementary School \* DaVinci School for Science & the Arts \* Vista Del Futuro Elementary School  
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Dear Parents, Guardians, Staff, and Community,

As usual, but even more quickly this time, the calendar continues to move. On Monday, August 10, 2020, the Burnham Wood Charter School District began virtual instruction for all of their students. We are nearing the third week of completion of virtual learning. On Tuesday, September 8, 2020, the district will welcome its first group of students to begin face-to-face learning on campus. We will begin our combination model for the delivery of instruction. The combination model provides choices. A student may choose to attend school on campus and be involved in direct face-to-face instruction. This model is the same as the historic method of instruction delivery. Other students may choose to receive the same instruction, but through a virtual platform. That is, these students will receive their instruction via an electronic device away from the campus setting. Both sets of students will receive the same instruction from the same instructors at the same time via face-to-face teaching and live streaming to the students who are at home. The choice for on-campus or at home learning is totally up to the parents. All of our campuses have been contacting parents to ascertain which instructional delivery method is preferred by the parents and students. All classes will be in real time (live). Tutoring will be available to any student who would benefit from tutoring.

What should our students expect as they return to campus?

- All safety and health protocols will be observed.
- All personnel on campus must wear a face mask.
- Social distancing will be observed.
- Supervised mandatory handwashing will be enforced throughout the school day.
- Groups of students will not be allowed to congregate.
- Students will eat lunch in their classrooms.
- All personnel on campus will undergo temperature checks and oxygen level checks by trained personnel.
- Any student that is ill will be sent home to receive medical attention.
- Parents that have students with special health needs should contact their local campus regarding these needs.

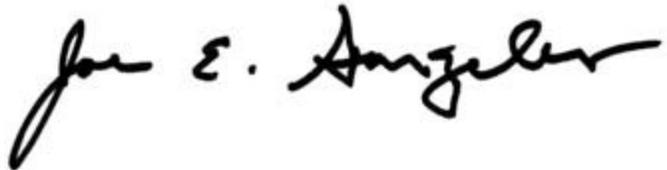
Students will arrive at school and be allowed into their classrooms on a staggered schedule. They will be dismissed from their classrooms in the same manner. All arrivals and dismissals must observe the social distancing regulations. Adult monitors will be available at all arrival and dismissal times to enforce the Covid-19 safety protocols. Any time students are outside of the classroom, i.e., passing times, etc., there will be adults present to insist that all safety protocols are observed. The school district will provide masks, soap, hand sanitizer, lunch, and bottles of water for the students. If you have any questions, please contact your local campus.

Some people have inquired as to the status of co and extra-curricular activities. We intend to offer these activities as soon as we receive permission from the proper authorities and schedules can be manifested.

You will receive more campus-level details from campus administrators early next week.

We, as school officials, recognize that this is a difficult change of habit for everyone. However, it is not impossible to have educational success in spite of the new environment in which we find ourselves. It is our duty to keep everyone safe and healthy to the best of our ability. And we intend to do so.

Sincerely,

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

Dr. Joe E. Gonzales



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