Dear CANO Parents and Guardians,

We hope you and your family are having a restful summer and are excited about coming back to school in just a few short weeks!

Your principals and teachers, along with the entire CANO family, are ready and excited to have ALL of our students return to in-person learning for the 2021-22 school year!

As always, student and staff safety is our priority. To that end, we will continue to follow the federal, state, and local COVID-19 guidelines. You can read more about these measures below. Please note that these are subject to change as we continue to navigate through these changing guidelines.

While we are returning to in-person learning, extra-curricular activities, etc., we know that the Covid-19 global pandemic has greatly impacted many of our students, families, and staff. As such, we know that some of our students may need time to adjust and extra support(s). Through our Trauma Informed Wellness Program, we will actively support our students this year through these transitions, and will continue to extend grace, as we come back together to our entire CANO family. If you should need any support(s), we are also here to support you - Please do not hesitate to ask your school principal or social worker/counselor as we are all committed to ensuring all our CANO community is supported.

We will navigate the changes of this new year together, as a team, working to ensure that your child(ren) receives the best education! We are humbled that you have chosen our schools with your most precious gift. We know the importance of your trust and promise to do everything we can to continue to deserve it.

Truly,

Myrialis King, Esq.
CANO CEO
START DATE FOR STUDENTS

All CANO students will return to school IN-Person on August, 9th!

If you have not completed registration for your student, please contact or visit your CANO school, as soon as possible, to finalize the process.

Student Orientation Information:

- **Esperanza** - AUG 3rd and 4th from 3-6pm
- **Foundation Preparatory** - AUG 3rd from 4:00-5:30pm
- **Lafayette Middle** - AUG 5 (8th Graders) and AUG 6 (6th & 7th Graders) from 1:30-3:30pm
- **Lafayette Lower** - AUG 5th and 6th from 3-6pm

COVID-19 Safety Measures

CANO schools will be following the guidance of NOLA Public Schools for COVID safety measures this fall.

Vaccinations

Vaccines against the virus that causes COVID-19 are promising because of the potential to decrease rates of disease, hospitalization, and death. All eligible unvaccinated students (age 12 and older) are strongly encouraged to get vaccinated. We are partnering with Ochsner Health and CORE Response to offer All CANO students 12 and older and their families the COVID-19 vaccine on several days next week:

- **Esperanza** - AUG 3rd 3-5pm
- **Foundation Preparatory** - AUG 3rd from 4pm-5:30pm
- **Lafayette Lower** - AUG 5th 3-5pm

Mask use

Masks will be required for all students and staff members, even if they are vaccinated. NOLA-PS will also require that schools track the vaccination status of all students and staff members.

*Please note: Masks are also required:*

- *when riding a school bus, regardless of vaccination status*
- *for all attendees at indoor spectator events, regardless of vaccination status*

Capacity

School buses and classrooms will be operating without capacity restrictions at this time.

Student Groupings

Classes may take place in static groups with minimal social distancing requirements or in groups with changing composition, maintaining 3 feet of social distance from other students and 6 feet of social distance from adults.

Extra-curricular activities

We are planning for all sports, clubs, and student activities, including field trips, to resume this school year. All students 12+ must be vaccinated to participate in extracurricular activities. Please be on the lookout for changes to this information based on COVID19 surges.
If your child feels sick:

Please monitor your child daily for symptoms and keep them home if they are feeling sick.

P-EBT Cards Update:

All school information regarding P-EBT cards has been submitted to the State and if your information is incorrect, please contact your school at the main number and we will resubmit for your student.

PEBT Cards General Information:

CANO Parents/Guardians,

The USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has announced that funding is available for P-EBT for families of K-12 students for Summer 2021. P-EBT (Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer) is food assistance for families of school children who are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) or School Breakfast Program (SBP), but are not receiving those meals due to campus closures and/or reduced in-person class schedules related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Your student is eligible for 2020-21 P-EBT if:

- The student would be eligible for free or reduced-price meals through the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and/or School Breakfast Program (SBP).
- The student was on a virtual (by computer) or hybrid (partially computer-based & partially in person) learning schedules.

Unlike last spring when families had to apply through a state portal in order to receive benefits, this year families do not have to apply for benefits. Families are beginning to receive their P-EBT cards in a plain white envelope from “LifeinCheck EBT.” To activate the card you will need the last four digits of your child’s student ID number. The student ID number can be found at the top of their report card. If you are unable to locate your students report card you will need to visit your students school to acquire their correct student ID number.

For more information, check out the P-EBT resource flyer [HERE](#) or visit the new [P-EBT landing page](#).