



20/21 Presidio Reopening Plan

July 2020

OVERVIEW

Presidio School has reviewed recommendations from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), Pima County Health Department (PCHD), Arizona Department of Education (ADE) and the June 24 and 29, 2020 Executive Orders from Governor Ducey regarding the reopening of schools in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic that led to the state-wide school closure in March 2020. Presidio has developed a reopening plan that allows families various opportunities to continue to receive the high quality of education Presidio is known for at their personal comfort level, while ensuring the safest learning conditions for Presidio's students, faculty, staff, and volunteers.

GOALS

1. Ensure safe and effective reentry of all members of the Presidio Family that are on campus by following recommendations from the CDC, PCHD, ADE, and Governor Ducey
2. Provide a rich, rigorous, high quality college preparatory education through all learning models
3. Develop flexible scheduling for Presidio students and families to accommodate learning needs, potential illness and/or class/school closure, and family scheduling challenges

INITIAL REOPENING PLAN

- **August 3-4, 2020:** High school students and families will participate in our Arizona Online Instruction (AOI) Orientation course prior to beginning regular coursework through our remote learning model.
 - The Online Learning course explains the OI blended and remote high school learning models to students and families and provides tips on successful online learning. Students are introduced to the online tools they will use during their high school experience, including the Canvas Learning Management System that delivers course assignments. Students will take part in online discussions and practice submitting computer-scored assessments and other assignments to teachers. Lifelong learning skills, such as time management and study habits, will also be covered. By the end of the course, students will be fully prepared to begin blended and/or remote learning in all high school courses and parents/guardians will be prepared to support the students through their newly devised educational journey.
- **August 5, 2020:** High school students will begin regular coursework through Presidio's remote learning model.



- **August 5-7, 2020:** Middle school students and families will participate in Welcome to Online Learning: an AOI Orientation course in conjunction with the summer reading assignments and review of previously learned curriculum.
 - Families begin the school year with a Welcome to Online Learning course. The course provides an overview of each curriculum area so students and Learning Coaches can familiarize themselves with the philosophy behind the curriculum methodology and overall course organization. The lessons are interactive and include actual animations or graphics that are used in the courses themselves. Students are introduced to the online tools they will use during their middle school experience, including the Canvas Learning Management System that delivers course assignments. By the end of the course, students and families will be fully prepared to participate in blended or remote learning.
- **August 10:** Middle school students will begin regular coursework through Presidio's remote learning model.
- **August 10-14:** Elementary school students will participate in Welcome to Online Learning: an AOI Orientation course, in conjunction, follow up to the summer reading assignments and review of previously learned curriculum.
 - Families begin the school year with a Welcome to Online Learning course. The course provides an overview of each curriculum area so students and Learning Coaches can familiarize themselves with the philosophy behind the curriculum methodology and overall course organization. The lessons are interactive and include actual animations or graphics that are used in the courses themselves. Students are introduced to the online tools they will use during their elementary school experience, including the Canvas Learning Management System that delivers course assignments. By the end of the course, students and families will be fully prepared to participate in blended or remote learning.
- **August 17:** School is scheduled to open for all grade levels to participate in blended learning and/or remote instruction.

CANVAS LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (LMS)

The Canvas Learning Management System (LMS) has been purchased by Presidio School to support and enhance learning for both the Remote Learning Model and the Blended Learning Model. Canvas allows teachers to provide a personalized learning experience through instructional support, class calendars, messages, notifications, assignments, collaborative activities, and resources that are tailored to each student in one easy-to-use, easy-to-access platform. Parent access in Canvas gives the ability to see what is going on in a course and a calendar of assignments, as well as a myriad of other features including, but not limited to:

- Customize notifications



- View the Student Dashboard
- View the course syllabus
- View assignments
- View grades
- View the calendar

REMOTE LEARNING MODEL

Remote Instruction

Presidio is pleased to offer an online learning option that will afford students the flexibility to learn in an environment that best meets their instructional needs and that will ensure a sustained quality education. Many students, particularly those in the lower grades, need a higher level of face-to-face contact with teachers and peers even when participating in online instruction, virtual resources, and formative assessments. Their online instruction will require more structure and less scheduling flexibility to ensure interconnectedness with peers and bonding with the teacher. Older students will be able to take advantage of an online experience that offers more scheduling flexibility. However, even with more scheduling flexibility, the online instruction model will have multiple opportunities for peer-to-peer interactions and a high level of teacher face-to-face instruction, guidance and support.

Remote Learning Schedules

Presidio will ensure that students are taught how to manage instructional time to address proper pacing of learning, navigate Canvas and the various content delivery systems and media that will allow them to demonstrate mastery and effectively communicate with peers and instructors during online learning. At the same time, families will also receive instruction in how to access online learning through Canvas, Presidio's selected LMS, and guidance and support in how to help students set and follow at-home learning schedules that are critical for success when engaged in distance learning. Training for students (and families) participating in remote learning will be in-depth, heavily front-loaded, ongoing, and differentiated based upon need.

Tracking Online Attendance

Presidio School will utilize a multi-faceted attendance rubric for monitoring and tracking attendance. The rubric will include live streaming attendance, active time on Canvas, discussion question response completion, office hour and/or Google Meets teaching sessions attendance, and meeting bi-monthly and/or monthly assignment completion benchmarks.



BLENDED LEARNING MODELS

Elementary School (Grades K-5)

Presidio's blended learning model developed for elementary school students allows students to be on campus five days per week, during the school day. Our Rotation Blended Learning (RBL) model for elementary school places students in grade level pods of 10 students per teacher/adult and pods will rotate between learning centers. Learning centers or rotations will include direct instruction by the classroom teacher and the OI instructor in core subject areas, coupled with independent work opportunities and supplemental instruction with qualified paraprofessionals. Other rotations will include specials classes (martial arts, art, music, and dance) taught by specials teachers, virtual field studies opportunities and organized team recess aligned with State PE standards. Students will participate in internet safety courses and learn how to navigate the Canvas LMS with adult assistance provided primarily at the school and, after OI Orientation, with parent/guardian support when at home.

Middle School (Grades 6-8)

Presidio's Middle School blended learning model is a Block Blended Learning (BBL) model, meaning that students attend in person classes two times per week (Tuesday/Thursday or Wednesday/Friday) and participate in remote instruction three times per week. In person class sizes will be reduced to follow social distancing guidelines and students will be required to wear masks. To limit exposure, teachers will rotate between classes rather than students, students will eat lunch in their classrooms, and break opportunities will be more structured than in previous years. Remote instruction will include opportunities for students to participate in small group or individual office hour sessions, learning schedules and expectations for students to complete specific assignments within a specified timeframe, teacher prepared videos, and Google Meets teaching sessions. Presidio understands that the sixth grade year is a transition year; therefore, students in sixth grade will have an additional in person class time scheduled on Mondays. Students requiring additional in person instruction or intervention will be scheduled to attend sessions on Mondays as well.

High School (Grades 9-12)

Course-based Blended Learning (CBL) model, similar to a college class schedule, where students attend in person classes two to three times per week, depending on the nature of the course, with the remainder of the coursework to be completed remotely. Students will have access to teachers via in person and/or remote office hours and all lessons will be recorded and posted on Canvas for students to use as a reference when completing remote learning requirements.



ENHANCED RECREATION AND OUTDOOR LEARNING AREAS

Recess/Breaks

Presidio's recess time will be aligned to Arizona PE standards and follow the guidelines for organized team recess. Team recess provides a balance between allowing children to explore and play freely in assigned zones that are rotated for variety and skill acquisition while providing enough supervision, support, and organization to facilitate positive play and interactions. Team Recess also incorporates positive behavior support on the playground. The goal is to help students have a safe outlet to exercise, learn pro-social team-building skills, learn the "rules" of being social, and promote positive interactions among all students.

The 1615 campus, where students in grades K-3 participate in recess, has been broken into 4 structured team play areas:

1. Grass area where students can use balls, participate in running games, etc.;
2. Chalkboard area for chalkboard art, and card games;
3. Solar Ramada that has been redesigned to include a concrete surface so students can play games such as freeze dancing, foursquare, and hopscotch as well as provide a setting for project based learning when portable tables are added; and
4. Playground area where students will be able to enjoy the various playground equipment.

The 1695 campus has similar structured team recreation areas:

1. Basketball court can be set up as a full or half court to allow for one or multiple games
2. The Volleyball court allows for a variety of activities such as volleyball, foursquare, and jump rope
3. Spirit Ramada where students can temporarily remove masks (as long as they are seated behind the plexiglass) to engage in discussion groups, games, art activities, and/or project based learning
4. Courtyard area just west of the gymnasium for students to engage in running games, kickball, and dodgeball

Pods will be assigned to one area for the day and will have an opportunity to use the other areas throughout the week. Each area as well as associated equipment will be sanitized between uses and will contain sanitizing stations where students will sanitize their hands before and after recess.



Outdoor Learning/Socialization/Recreation Areas

In an effort to maximize space and allow students the opportunity to move around, Presidio has developed outdoor learning areas. On the 1615 campus, these areas include:

- Participation Patio (outside of room 805)
 - The patio roof has been expanded to provide shade and protection from inclement weather such as rain and wind.
 - It will be equipped with two commercial grade, 14", high pressure, oscillating fans with built in misters to keep the area cool for students
 - A portable interactive white board will be placed on the patio to enhance learning
- Sunshine Structure (solar ramada)
 - The solar ramada now has a concrete surface and ADA-compliant connecting sidewalks
 - The new surface will have four-square and hopscotch designs painted on it to create a structured team recess area.
 - Portable tables and a portable interactive white board will enable the area to be transformed into an outdoor classroom when not being used for recreational purposes.

On the 1695 campus, these areas include:

- Character Mall
 - Plexiglass partitions will be added to tables to enable students to work in small groups without wearing masks, except when transitioning to and from the area, and will allow the area to be transformed into an outdoor classroom when not being used for recreational or socialization purposes.
 - Portable tables and a portable interactive white board will enable the area to be transformed into an outdoor classroom when not being used for recreational purposes.
- Spirit ramada
 - Students in the Spirit Ramada may participate in many of the same activities as those in the Character Mall, however, masks would be required since the tables are not conducive to plexiglass dividers.

Students will utilize the outdoor learning areas to engage in activities that require more movement, project based learning, art supplies, and/or social interaction.



SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Water Bottle Refilling Stations <https://www.elkay.com/us/en/drinking-water/bottle-filling-stations.html>

Presidio is proud to announce the installation of Elkay filtered ezH2O bottle filling stations in various, high traffic locations around both the 1615 and 1695 campuses. The Elkay filtered water system reduces lead and other harmful contaminants, putting cleaner, healthier water within everyone's reach. Presidio faculty, staff and students should bring reusable water bottles to school and refill them throughout the day to promote adequate hydration, limit the spread of germs associated with standard drinking fountains, and minimize plastic bottle waste in the environment.

Clorox 360 Machine <https://youtu.be/GA-RxYqrdsK>

Presidio School has purchased two Clorox 360 machines, one for each campus. The Clorox 360 machines will be used each time the inhabitants of a classroom change to ensure that there is no cross contamination on any touch points in the room. It will also be used each evening at the end of the school day.

- Electrostatic technology enables superior coverage in hard-to-reach places — including the side, underside and backside of surfaces.
- Provides one-step disinfecting and can cover 18,000 square feet per hour.
- Kills 99.9% of bacteria in 5 seconds and kills cold and flu viruses, MRSA and norovirus in 2 minutes or less
- The chemicals used are odor free and Intended for use in airports, ambulances, athletic facilities, public restrooms, correctional facilities, day care centers, hotels, institutional kitchens, laundry rooms, offices and schools.
- Students and teachers can immediately enter the area after treatment is complete.

EcoLab Cleaning Caddy

file:///C:/Users/jmontierthpuls/Downloads/Cleaning%20Caddy%20Brochure%20pdf.pdf

Restroom cleanliness is a top priority at Presidio, yet, restroom cleaning is a dreaded task that is often outsourced. However, Presidio understands the importance and necessity of clean and sanitary restrooms and purchased the EcoLab Cleaning Caddy. Equipped with disinfectant and sanitizer, the Cleaning Caddy effectively cleans most bathrooms within minutes and has a 45 second “kill time” for germs that spread infections.

Cleaning caddies have been purchased for both campuses and will be used throughout the day by Presidio staff to ensure the safety and cleanliness of the Presidio family.

Sanitizing Stations



No-touch hand sanitizing stations will be placed throughout campus to expand student ability to sanitize in areas where sinks are not readily available. At a minimum, they will be placed at campus entry gates, entry points to all outdoor recreation areas, and in classrooms where there are no sinks. Presidio will ensure that all sanitizing stations are fully stocked each day and build hand sanitizing into the daily schedule to promote health and safety.

Daily Health Checks & Associated Precautions

- Temperature and wellness checks at each entry gate
- No-touch thermometers in each classroom
- Safe, compassionate sick-child separation areas
- When the school receives notification that an in person learning absence is related to COVID concerns, the absence will be considered an excused absence.

Face Masks

Wearing a cloth face mask has become the norm since April, when the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommended all Americans use them to slow the spread of the coronavirus. As Presidio prepares to reopen, we encourage all families to wear masks whenever going out. We will also require all students in grades 4-12, visitors, and faculty and staff to wear face masks while on Presidio's campus. Students in grades K-3 will be required to have face masks, but will only wear them when entering the campus, moving between learning rotations, and when participating in group activities such as center activities and specials.

Chances are, you or someone in your family has already purchased and/or made face masks. The following picture includes both purchased (green "gator" mask, black, filtered face mask) and homemade (red and white chevron) masks. While we will have disposable masks available, Presidio is encouraging families to make or purchase individual face masks that best suit your needs. The links below contain the face mask pattern used to make the red and white chevron mask. What better way to express one's individuality, spark creativity, and limit the spread of diseases than by creating a unique face mask of your own!

<https://seekatesew.com/kids-mask-template/>

<https://www.craftpassion.com/face-mask-sewing-pattern/>

Plexiglass Partitions <https://www.professionalplastics.com/Table-Divider-4-Person-Restaurant>

We understand that face masks are not always feasible for our younger population, so Presidio is in the process of purchasing plexiglass partitions for the kindergarten, first, and second grade classes. Students in grades 3 and 4 will have standalone desks that will be placed 6' apart.



Language acquisition, reading, listening, and speaking skills all require the ability to see the speaker's mouth and are developing in the younger grades. With the inclusion of plexiglass partitions and distanced standalone desks , students in grades K-3 will be able to engage with their teachers and each other in a safe, secure environment that allows them to better develop these critical skills. As previously mentioned, students in grades K-3 will be required to wear face masks when engaging in group activities such as moving between rotation stations, centers and/ or circle time.

In order to foster the ability for students in grades 4-12 to work together and have a space to more freely and socialize while providing safe conditions, the tables located in the Character Mall will also have plexiglass dividers.

As per CDC recommended guidelines, Plexiglass partitions will also be placed between sinks in all restrooms that have more multiple sinks. We have already purchased and placed plexiglass partitions in both front offices as they are higher traffic locations and need additional precautionary measures.