



Dasie Bridgewater Hope Center, Inc. (DHC) CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19 READINESS AND PLANNING

In an effort to ensure the safety of our families, Dasie Bridgewater Hope Center (DHC) is taking all reasonable preventative measures in order to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR DURATION OF TIME IN THE FACILITY.

PARENT DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

- Hand hygiene stations will be set up at the entrance of the facility, so that children can clean their hands before they enter.
- Parents will sign in/out at a station outside the center. Hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol will be next to parent sign-in sheets. Pens will be sanitized between each use.
- Hand sanitizers will be out of children's reach and supervised.

CHILDREN SCREENED UPON ARRIVAL

Persons who have a fever of 100.4° (38.0°C) or above or other signs of illness will be sent to an isolation area. Parents will be notified for immediate pickup. Parents should be on the alert for signs of illness in their children and to keep them home when they are sick.

IF A CHILD IS OR BECOMES SICK

- Immediate measures will be taken for the child to return home. NOTE: Parents are to have current contact information on file as well as some alternate contact person(s) for emergencies.
- An isolation room or area (such as a cot in a corner of the classroom or another room) will be used to isolate a sick child.
DHC will use CDC guidance on how to disinfect the facility if someone is sick.
- If a sick child has been isolated, surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected in the isolation room or area after the sick child has gone home.

ONCE LEARNING OF A COVID-19 CASE IN SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN IN THE FACILITY DHC will immediately notify local health officials. These officials will help administrators determine a course of action for the after school program. It is possible that **students and most staff will be dismissed for 10 days.** This initial short-term dismissal allows time for the local health officials to gain a better understanding of the COVID-19 situation impacting the facility to help determine appropriate next steps, including whether an extended dismissal duration is needed to stop or slow further spread of COVID-19.

CLEAN AND DISINFECT

- Cleaning and disinfection efforts will be intensified.
- All cleaning materials will be kept secure and out of reach of children
- Cleaning products will not be used near children and staff will ensure that there is adequate ventilation when using these products to prevent children from inhaling toxic fumes.

- For use against the virus that causes COVID-19, EPA approved cleaners (wipes, sprays and liquids) used for Routinely clean, sanitize, and disinfect surfaces and objects that are frequently touched, especially toys and games. This includes cleaning objects/surfaces not ordinarily cleaned daily such as doorknobs, light switches, sink handles, countertops, desks, chairs, and playground structures.
- Staff members will disinfect commonly used surfaces such as keyboards, desks and remote controls.

HEALTHY HAND HYGIENE BEHAVIOR

- All children, staff, and volunteers should engage in hand hygiene at the following times:
 - Arrival to the facility and after breaks
 - Before and after preparing food or drinks
 - Before and after eating or handling food, or feeding children
 - After using the toilet or helping a child use the bathroom
 - After coming in contact with bodily fluid
 - After playing outdoors
 - After handling garbage
- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If hands are not visibly dirty, alcohol-based hand sanitizers with at least 60% alcohol can be used if soap and water are not readily available.
- Supervise children when they use hand sanitizer to prevent ingestion.
- If necessary to assist children with hand washing, staff should also wash their hands.

SOME IMPORTANT REMINDERS ABOUT REDUCING THE RISK OF EXPOSURE TO COVID-19

- Corona viruses on surfaces and objects naturally die within hours to days. Warmer temperatures and exposure to sunlight will reduce the time the virus survives on surfaces and objects.
- Normal routine cleaning with soap and water removes germs and dirt from surfaces. It lowers the risk of spreading COVID-19 infection.
- Disinfectants kill germs on surfaces. By killing germs on a surface after cleaning, you can further lower the risk of spreading infection 24 hours.
- Staff, students, and their families are discouraged from gathering or close contact socializing anywhere.
- Maintain social distancing (6 feet apart), wearing face masks and constantly washing hands (20 seconds).
- In cleaning, diluted household bleach solutions can be used if appropriate for the surface. Follow manufacturer's instructions for application and proper ventilation. Check to ensure the product is not past its expiration date. Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser.

**THANKS FOR YOUR EFFORTS TO KEEP DASIE HOPE FAMILIES SAFE!
WE APPRECIATE YOUR TRUST IN US TO DO THE SAME.**