



# Valley Stream Christian Academy

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Dear VSCA Families,

The time has come for us to submit our reopening plan(s) to the NY State Department of Education. Attached, you will find the entire work submitted. Next week, Governor Cuomo will be setting the guidelines for schools. As this could be all in, all remote, or a hybrid, all models have been addressed. BUT-as our school families, I want to let you know of the one we are proposing. It is an ALL IN HYBRID FIVE DAY model.

I want to clearly outline what that means: The basic hybrid model for all schools is based on following the CDC guidelines for social distancing, the wearing of masks, the containment of cohorts (in our case, a class), regular hand washing, etc. In order for schools to follow these guidelines, the classrooms will not be able to hold all of the students. This means that students (attending the normal hybrid model) will attend school on alternate days, working from home on the others.

### The All In Hybrid Five Day Model

All students would be present in school on a daily basis. Following CDC guidelines (social distancing, face coverings, etc.), students would be in the classroom receiving face to face instruction from the teacher; the remaining students would be in two locations we have set aside, the gymnasium and the MMC Chapel, receiving real time Zoom instruction also following all CDC guidelines (social distancing, face coverings, etc.). This will enable the students to interact in real time with their teachers and peers. This would assure that ALL of our students would be able to remain socially distanced. Since this option requires hiring additional staff, there would be an added fee of \$25 per week (payable with the monthly tuition). We hope this option will be of help to parents who need to return to work. In addition, all classes will continue to be Zoomed live, for those families who would like to follow the remote learning model.

Following the governor's announcement, we will be holding another school Town Hall meeting. The date will be Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm, with log in information in an upcoming email. If you have questions that you would like to be addressed, please send them, before August 11<sup>th</sup> to Mrs. Hough at [xhough@vscaschool.org](mailto:xhough@vscaschool.org). I look forward to "seeing" you at the meeting. Just a reminder: while everything around us continues to change from the world as we have known it, let us continue to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus; He knows the beginning and the end during these challenging times.

God Bless,  
Leslie Fowley  
Superintendent