GPPSS School Age Child Care Program Crystal Fletcher Director of School Age Child Care (313) 432-3009

Dear Kids Club/Mid Club Families,

Thank you for doing your part in keeping our students safe. With our buildings opening back up, we wanted to send everyone our updated Kids Club Health Policy along with some reminders. Kids Club is closely following the guidelines from the Wayne County Health Department - Return to School Roadmap, Wayne County School Scenario Flowchart and the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

To comply with Wayne County Health Department mandates and current child care licensing practices, we have made revisions to our health policy effective 1/4/21. These changes include:

- Proof of a negative covid test and/or written clearance from a medical provider is <u>REQUIRED</u> for students in order to return to school if they are sent home due to symptoms/illness.
- Families self screen their children prior to attending school.

24 hour/One school day* exclusion for symptoms.

Children must stay home for <u>24 hours/One Complete School Day</u> if they are sent home with the following symptoms:

Box 1

- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- Loss of smell or taste

Do you have at least 1 of these symptoms?

Box 2:

- Fever (100.4º F or greater)
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Runny nose and/or congestion
- Body aches and/or tiredness

Do you have at least 2 of these symptoms?

If the answer to any of the questions above is "yes", stay home and consult your primary care physician. If a doctor determines that the symptoms are due to another diagnosis, or COVID-19 is ruled out, you may enter the school after being fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications.

*Children are required to stay home for a minimum of one school day and must be symptom free before returning. Example, if a child is sent home from school at 11:00am on Tuesday, they cannot return to school until Thursday. Arriving at school at 11:01am on Wednesday will not be permitted.

**Children will be sent home from school if they have a fever of 100.4 or higher using the forehead thermometer at your child's location. If a child has a fever, they must be <u>fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication</u>. This may require your child to be out longer than one school day.

Please review the home health screening tool daily prior to coming to school: <u>Wayne County Home Health Screening</u>. If your child exhibits any of the symptoms on the document please keep your child home and communicate with the Kids Club office at 313-432-3009.

If your child has to quarantine for 10 days for any reason, the child must stay home for the whole 10 days. Even if a negative Covid test is received, the child still can not come to school until their quarantine period is over. Symptoms

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can still appear within those 10 days.

We understand that symptoms can present themselves from allergies, weather changes, etc. However, in order to keep all children and staff healthy, we will be sending any child home who presents new or worsening symptoms listed above. Sometimes these symptoms are all that our staff have to evaluate how a child is feeling.

Isolation Room: We have an area/room for children who are experiencing symptoms to safely wait for their parents to arrive, with a staff member. If your child needs to be picked up from school, a staff member will let you know the designated area for pick up.

Screening: By bringing your child to school, you are stating that your child is in good health, and able to participate in the daily activities. We are still taking temperatures at the door.

Masks: Masks must be worn by students and staff at all times except when they are eating, drinking, and playing outside. Adults dropping off and picking up must also properly wear a mask covering both their mouth and nose in the building.

Reporting: Once a positive COVID-19 case is reported to us, we proceed with the following protocol:

- Send communication to affected families of our school community immediately.
- Send communication to our entire school community to inform them of the positive case.
- Contact the Wayne County COVID-19 reporting line.
- Add information to the individual school's COVID-19 sheet which is then placed on the GPPSS COVID Case Transparency Report (no names are given).

We will continue following the guidelines from LARA and best handwashing practices. Toys, high touch surfaces, and common areas will be regularly cleaned throughout the day. Staff and students will continue to practice social distancing while in their Kids Club cohort. We will follow the scenarios from the Return to School Roadmap for handling symptoms, exposure or positive cases. Communication will be sent if there is a positive case in your child's class.

Should your child develop symptoms while at school, they will be taken to the designated isolation area and we will call you to pick them up. Before your child can return to school, you must provide proof of a negative covid test and/or written clearance from a medical provider. This documentation can be faxed, emailed or dropped off at school by a healthy adult. Our fax number is (313) 432-3802.

It takes every staff member and every family following the protocol to keep our school a safe and healthy environment. Although we hope this will not happen, in the event that we are unable to maintain state mandated child:staff ratios due to illness, you may be contacted regarding a temporary closure of a particular classroom or building. This communication will be sent out through email with as much notice as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact the Kids Club Office at (313) 432-3009.

Thank you, Crystal Fletcher

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