

Dear MVCDC Families,

Thank you for everything that you're continuing to do to keep your family and our staff safe! We'll be welcoming new children and families next Tuesday, August 25, when our school year officially kicks off! Please be patient as they learn our new health and safety procedures.

This week we learned that an employee in our Dayton administrative offices and an employee at the Clark County ECEC tested positive for COVID-19. Neither individual had been on-site recently or in contact with children. The ECEC employee had been in contact with a colleague outside of work, so that individual also will be quarantining.

We have a new requirement that all staff must wear a face mask at all times, including in the classroom. You can help the children adjust, explaining that their teachers are wearing masks to keep away germs! Health officials also have decided that face shields are NOT an acceptable substitute for cloth masks at child care programs and in schools.

If you know someone who is reluctant to send their child to in-person learning programs, please tell them about our NEW virtual option that kicks off September 8. We'll help families keep their child learning at home! Families can enroll by calling 937-226-5664.

Benefits of the virtual learning program include:

- We'll provide "loaner" tablets pre-loaded with educational programs and apps that will allow families to stay in touch with their child's teachers and for children to learn online.
- The pre-loaded apps are educational apps.
- Families also will be provided an adequate data plan to use this teaching and learning tool.
- Tablet controls will be enabled to prevent the tablet from being used for anything other than children's learning and family engagement.
- Children will receive a start-up set of school materials.
- We'll provide weekly individualized educational activities, weekly virtual group meetings and monthly family engagement events.

Finally, Ohio's travel advisory this week is only for Florida, Idaho, Mississippi and Nevada. If your child has traveled to any of these states, he or she needs to quarantine for 14 days before returning. Please help keep everyone safe by sharing your travel plans with us.

Don't hesitate to contact me at (937) 226-5664, ext. 202.

Gratefully,



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**Mark your  
calendars**

**August 25,  
2020**  
1<sup>st</sup> day of  
School