



**Pacem School**

*Celebrating Curiosity - Igniting Passions*

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## **Pacem School Plan for Fall 2020 Executive Summary**

Pacem School plans to open for in-person classes in September of 2020 according to its regular schedule. The health and safety of our students and faculty will be of utmost importance when we reopen.

In order to protect our community, we will be conducting all of our classes outside in our new outdoor classroom space during September and October. (The only exceptions to this will be if there is dangerous weather.) We are excited for the curricular opportunities that being outside will give us, and plan to make good use of the woods, streams, and fields surrounding our outdoor classroom space. In addition, we will have power and wifi in our classroom area so that we can make use of technology as well.

Once it is too cold to be outside on a full-time basis, we will move our classes indoors. Our spacious classrooms will easily allow our students to have their own workspaces 6 feet apart. We are also upgrading our ventilation system to ensure that we have a healthy environment. We will keep our class sizes to no more than 8 students per class, and our overall student body will be no greater than 25 students in our regular program for 10 to 18 year-olds.

Whether we are indoors or out, we will have daily health checks, will require everyone to wear cloth face-masks, and will follow strict cleaning and handwashing protocols. (We will make exceptions to the face-mask rule when we are outside and able to be 10 feet apart from each other.) In addition, students will always have the option of completing their class work remotely for some of all of the day.

Please note that this is a quickly evolving health situation, and we will certainly need to alter this plan throughout the year. We ask for everyone's patience and flexibility as we navigate these challenging times.

Our policy is based on the guidance released by the State of Vermont Department of Education that can be found [here](#). The complete detailed plan can be found [here](#).