



June 8, 2020

To: Sunstate Academy Community

From: Patti Dennis Carolyn Murchison
Campus Director Campus Director

Re: COVID-19 Response

As the State of Florida continues to progress through its reopening plan under Executive Order 20-139, Phase 2: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery, we must prepare for the inevitable. At the time of this writing, one of our students has already tested positive for COVID-19. The student acted responsibly by notifying Sunstate Academy of their infection. A few minutes later, we received confirmation of this from the Florida Department of Health. After receiving instructions on how to react, we notified a small group of students that "they may or may not have come in contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19."

As you now know, this past Friday, Governor DeSantis initiated Phase 2 of his recovery plan. As our society becomes more and more relaxed and people become less isolated, as logic and reason are applied, we will likely see members of our campus communities become infected. Although the cities in which our campuses reside have been successful in "flattening the curve," we must accept the reality that the coronavirus will continue to exist amongst us.

At present, a vaccine for COVID-19 does not exist.

Although the above statement is factual, our society has decided to engage in recovery and reopening activities. Should you determine that the risk of infection is too great for you to participate at Sunstate Academy, we stand ready to immediately approve a Leave of Absence as we always have.

For those of you who have already returned from your LOA or temporary distance learning initiative, we remind you that besides your own domicile, you have complete control over the sanitation and cleanliness of your learning environment. Please continue to engage with us as we follow the strict guidelines for Barbershops, Cosmetology Salons and Massage Clinics.

As published Friday, we will begin accepting “friends and family” into our salons and spas on Friday, June 12th. Students, Faculty and Staff must adhere to a strict practice of wearing face coverings on the salon floors, within treatment rooms and at our reception areas. Following, please find guidance from the Department of Business and Professional Regulation pertaining to safety and sanitation protocols for barbershops, cosmetology salons and cosmetology specialty salons. Sunstate Academy will be following these mandatory restrictions as well as adhering to the encouraged guidance.

**INFORMATION FOR
BARBERSHOPS, COSMETOLOGY SALONS,
AND COSMETOLOGY SPECIALTY SALONS**

PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-120 OF GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS AS ISSUED MAY 9, 2020

Effective May 11, 2020, the following restrictions are mandatory for barbershops, cosmetology salons, and cosmetology specialty salons:

- All customers will be by appointment only.
- Allow at least 15 minutes between the conclusion of an appointment and the beginning of the next appointment for proper disinfecting practices.
- No group appointments are permitted.
- Masks must be worn by all employees while performing personal services.

Barbershops, cosmetology salons, and cosmetology specialty salons are encouraged to adhere to the following guidance:

- Thoroughly clean and disinfect prior to reopening. Make sure to disinfect all surfaces, tools and linens, even if they were cleaned before you originally closed. This type of cleaning should continue between each day of operation.
- Consider providing unworn masks to clients for use during their appointment.
- Remove all unnecessary, frequently touched items like magazines, newspapers, service menus and any other unnecessary paper products and décor from customer service areas.

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