



LADUE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

10890 Ladue Road ■ St. Louis, MO 63141 ■ 314.993.5724 ■ 314.432.0980 (fax) ■ www.ladueschools.net

August 4, 2020

Dear LECC Families,

As many of you are aware, the Ladue Board of Education made the decision last night for the Early Childhood Center through 4th grade to return to school at the Tier 2 level. The following information will hopefully clarify your questions regarding the **LECC Option #1 - Tier 2** vs the [District Option #1 - Tier 2](#) entry plan. Additionally, this email will clarify the new LECC Option #2 - Virtual Learning plan.

If you recall from the [LECC Re-entry Plan](#) that was emailed on July 28th, the following “Tiered Plan” was outlined for the LECC Toddler and Preschool Programs:

LECC OPTION #1

Tier 1 - All students return to school with additional safety measures in place

- Every effort will be made to maintain stable groups (children will remain in one classroom for learning, including Before and After Care, lunch and Afternoon Extras). There will be time for students to use the restroom, wash hands on a regular basis and be in large building motor spaces and outside with peers.

Tier 2 *BOARD APPROVED* - The LECC will follow the LECC Tier 1(2) plan

- The District will enter K-4 programming in the District Return to Learn Plan Option #1 - Tier 2 which is a hybrid tier with an AM/PM small group program, the LECC will enter the school year in the LECC Return to Learn Plan Option #1 - Tier 1(2).

Tier 3 - Full E-learning for all students

- If the district should have to move to Tier 3, LECC classroom teachers will be teaching students who are enrolled in their classroom through online lesson plans and learning.
- LECC teachers will follow a consistent schedule/routine each week, which will be outlined for parents.

NEW LECC OPTION #2 - Virtual Learning Option

Full virtual **only** learning option (taught by a certified LECC teacher)

- Program start date for this option is 9/14/2020
- Enrollment in this option is for the semester 9/14/2020 - 12/22/2020
- This is a tuition based virtual option for LECC students. Tuition rate will be calculated based on a daily rate of \$16.23, pending Board of Education approval on 8/10.
- 3 half day (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday) or a 5 half day option

All students that have not officially withdrawn are automatically enrolled in LECC Option #1 - Tier 2.

If you would like to opt-in to the LECC Option #2 - Virtual Only Learning please email lecc@ladueschools.net by **August 12, 2020** and include whether you would like the 3 day (T,W,Th) or 5 day virtual option.

If you previously withdrew your child but would like to enroll them in LECC Option #2 - Virtual Only Learning, please email lecc@ladueschools.net by **August 12, 2020** and include whether you would like the 3 day (T,W,Th) or 5 day virtual option.

Clarifying Questions and Answers:

- **What are the fees for my child to participate in the LECC Option #2 - Virtual Only Learning option?**
 - Tuition rate will be calculated based on a daily rate of \$16.23, pending Board of Education approval on 8/10.
 - Total tuition for the semester would be \$652.80 for 3 half days and \$1,060.80 for 5 half days, pending Board of Education approval on 8/10.
- **How many days of virtual “school” will my child receive?**
 - Parents can choose 3 or 5 half days. The 3 half day option will be Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
- **If I select LECC Option #2 - Virtual Only Learning for the semester can I switch back to in-person at the start of next semester?**
 - You can request your name to be added to a January enrollment list and pending availability you can enroll your student.
- **If the district at any point moves into Option #1 - Tier 3, will tuition be the same as the LECC Option #2 - Virtual Only rate?**
 - Yes, the daily rate will be the same for both LECC Option #2 - Virtual Learning and Option #1 - Tier 3 E-learning.
- **Who will be teaching the LECC Option #2 - Virtual Learning?**
 - This virtual classroom will be held at the LECC and will be taught by a LECC Certified teacher.
- **Will the content/curriculum of LECC Option #2 - Virtual Learning be appropriate for my child?**
 - Yes, the curriculum content will be appropriate for students 3-5 years old. It will mirror the LECC constructivist curriculum with priority learning focusing on social emotional and communication goals. Here is a link to the [Missouri Early Learning Goals](#) which are targeted in our LECC classrooms. Additional details regarding the Virtual Learning classroom will be forthcoming.
- **Will I have a virtual intake conference?**
 - There will be a scheduled virtual conference prior to the virtual classroom program beginning as well as a (virtual) Parent Teacher Conference.
- **Will there be a virtual visit with the teacher prior to start?**
 - A virtual classroom visit will be an option for families.
- **Can I request a classroom teacher for the virtual learning classroom?**
 - Teacher requests will not be possible. There will be a designated teacher team for this virtual learning option.
- **Why did the Board of Education call Tier 2 for LECC - a Hybrid Tier 2?**
 - This was a confusing statement made during the Board Meeting... We are following the LECC Tier 2 entry plan which is the same as LECC Tier 1. The LECC Tier 1 & 2 both allow students to attend in-person on the days which you originally enrolled.

How do I get additional information regarding the start of school?

Please join us for the [LECC Virtual Welcome Back to School Parent Information Meeting](#) with the LECC Administrative Team on **Monday, August 10th at 2:00 pm**. If you are unable to attend, a recording of the meeting will be available the following day.

Thank you for your continued support of the Ladue Early Childhood Center. We greatly appreciate you being a part of our school family. Your patience and kind words of support have been greatly appreciated as we work through the details of this exceedingly challenging time.

Warmest Regards,

Kerri