



SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

Education Department

COVID-19 SCC Schools Reopening Plan **Update #5**

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Greeting South Central Conference Parents,

During this unprecedented time, you have exemplified unyielding support and commitment to your children and the schools whom you have entrusted with them. As a parent of school aged child, I know firsthand the sincere concerns surrounding your child's safety. Additionally, I am cognizant of the importance and intentionality of offering a Quality Christian Education to our students in the midst of this pandemic. Hence the reason we have recently had a Professional Development Day with our teachers on the new and innovative **Learning Management System, CANVAS**. This systemic approach to virtual learning and best practices is vital in assuring our students are engaged in a rigorous online platform.

Due to the broad range of dissimilarities (*communities, infection rate, etc.*) among the eight schools throughout the four states, the schools may not *initially* open under the same option(s), although system-wide processes are in place that govern all eight schools.

- **E.L. Minnis** will be offering Virtual Learning or Traditional On-site Learning to its students after the start of the second quarter (October 12, 2020).
- **Option of Returning to the Building:** If you request to have your child return to the building for instruction, a **Waiver of Liability Form** will need to be completed before the student is permitted to attend on-site.
- **Disclaimer statement:** The local school can only admit the number of students that are aligned with building capacity and CDC social distance guidelines. Your local school will forward more details on this process and any other possible requirements.

The concept of implementing the Traditional, Virtual and/ or Hybrid/Blended Learning Platforms simultaneously will be communicated from your local school, in collaboration with the SCC Office of Education, if the school moves in either of these directions. As we continue planning and executing safety precautions in an environment of uncertainty, please be cognizant that nothing is permanent, except change. For future updates, please visit iamsouthcentral.org. Thank you in advance for your continued commitment to Christian Education. May God richly bless your families and keep you in His care.

In His service,

Johnny Holliday
SCC Education Superintendent