

July 10, 2020

Country Gardens Charter School

Dear Parents and Students,

Due to the latest mandate from Governor Ducey, we will be starting school on August 3, 2020 with the use of packets and student assistance through the use of "Zoom". As soon as the Governor allows us to re-open with "on-campus" learning, we will resume regular hours from 8:00 am-3:30pm M,T,Th,F and Wednesdays 8:00 am-1:30pm. Bus service will also begin at that time. All precautions for on-campus learning and bus service will be enforced as per our Country Gardens Health and Safety Protocols for the COVID19. (See attached)

Our first curbside packet pick-up will be August 3 and 4th from 7am to 7 pm. We will post specific details concerning the packets and how and when to "Zoom" in to get help from the teacher. Schedules for "Zoom Time" will be posted on the website soon. Anyone not able to access "Zoom" via a cell phone or computer, please contact the office for alternatives. Our packets will be all inclusive, but supplementing with "Zoom" will allow students to get help from their teacher on a more face-to-face basis and teachers will be able to give lessons for specific skills, etc. as well as keep students motivated and excited about learning.

Students will be required to check-in at 8:00 am daily via "Zoom" for attendance purposes and to go over the day's agenda. It will also help students stay on track throughout the day. Students will have scheduled times when they will "Zoom" in for lessons and help for specific subjects. They **WILL NOT** be on "Zoom" all day. This has proven to cause brain fatigue. "Zoom" will only be used intermittently.

8th-12th grade students will be on a somewhat different "Zoom" schedule. The details for this will be released as we continue to get guidance from ADE concerning HS credits, etc. They will also be required to check in daily at 8:00 am for attendance purposes.

Our teachers will be preparing activities in the packets which are as hands-on as possible under the circumstances. We are an experiential learning-based school and want to continue those types of learning experiences as often as possible, until we can return to our amazing "on-campus" learning environment. We have so many exciting new areas for learning, plus a new playground, we can't wait to have our students enjoy them!

Thank you for understanding and supporting us, as we support you and your children throughout this unforeseen, unprecedented pandemic. Please continue to watch our website: cgcsaz.com and facebook: cgcs1, for more detailed information and updates.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Burge

Superintendent/Founder

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