

Brennen School

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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 26, 2020

To: Delaware Autism Programs

From: Mike Andrews

Subject: Respite Services Restart

On June 15, 2020, Governor Carney moved Delaware to Phase 2, allowing some school and youth activities to resume. In doing so, respite services will restart on July 1, 2020 with restrictions to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. The following lists the guidelines:

Respite services will be trialed for two weeks and reassessed at the end of this period.

Parents may request up to six hours each week, Monday – Friday, 3:30PM – 8:30PM; Saturday and Sunday, 8AM – 8PM. Parents, please contact your Respite Facilatators, regarding any respite requests needed. Samantha Kolodi(SAMANTHA.KOLODI@christina.k12.de.us)

Respite services will be provided in the home of the student only. o Services in the provider's home are not permitted.

- o Group homes/family resources centers will remain closed.
- o Overnight respite services are not permitted.
 - During the time of service, providers must wear a mask. (Providers are responsible for securing their own personal protective equipment.)
 - During the time of service, providers and students must either wear gloves or frequently wash/sanitize their hands.
 - During the time of services, providers are not permitted to visit any indoor venues outside of the student's home. Outdoor activities are encouraged while maintaining social distance.
 - Parents and providers must complete a coronavirus questionnaire and liability waiver within 24 hours of respite services. Information shared on this form may affect the approval of respite services.

We will continue to work collaboratively with district leaders, the Department of Education, and the Department of Public Health to monitor the coronavirus situation, and follow State guidance to ensure the health and safety of students and staff.

Parents should be encouraged to monitor their district's website and Delaware.gov for current updates pertaining to the coronavirus in Delaware.

Mike Andrews

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Richard L. Gregg, Superintendent

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