

WELCOME BACK TO LOEXC!

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n June 15th, the League of Extraordinary Children is officially re-opening its doors. With guidance from the State of NJ, CDC, and the American Academy of Pediatrics, we are so excited to welcome all of our students back to our center.



The League's number one priority is, and has always been, upholding our commitment to maintain safe, healthy school environments for your children. We understand and share the continued concern about COVID-19 and its effects on your families and the larger community. We want to provide you the information you need to make the best decisions for yourself and your loved ones.

We've created this booklet/e-book to share the measures we're taking to keep our children, their families and the faculty members safe in our Schools. We are grateful for your continued trust and confidence in the League of Extraordinary Children. We will get through this situation by working together and remaining focused on doing the right things.

Control Measures

REDUCED HOURS OF OPERATION

- We will be open to families from 7am-5pm, Monday through Friday. This will be *temporary*. This change is being made to ensure appropriate staff to children ratio and to give staff ample time to sanitize and disinfect prior to the next day.
- The child's temperature will be taken at drop-off, as well as periodically during the day. If your child has a reading of 100.4 or higher, your child will not be permitted to come to LOEXC until he/she is symptom free. This adheres to siblings and all family members.
- Staff temperatures will also be recorded daily: symptomatic staff will not return until he/she is symptom free without medication.
- Staff and children are to change into their "inside shoes" and wash their hands before entering their designated classroom.

WITHIN THE CLASSROOM & CENTER

- Cancellation of tours to reduce visitors within our center.
- Outdoor walks are permitted but they must stay within close proximity of the center. Children are *encouraged* to wear masks.
- Consistent communication between the staff and our families: signs posted, Brightwheel mobile app, and email updates.
- Removal of soft toys in classroom, only hard toys/surfaces will remain.
- Elimination of toys brought from home.
- Increased hand-washing in the classroom.
- Children will be advised and reminded to not touch faces.



- Staff members will be assigned to hourly disinfection of high-touch areas within the center which include but are not limited to: door handles, bathroom sinks, toilet hands, classroom doors, etc.
- Check-in and Check-out for both staff and children will be done through the Brightwheel Mobile App.
- Additional deep cleaning will be done in the kitchen.
- Strollers/car seats will be disinfected while at the center.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Reduce group sizes: max of 10 in each room.
- Parents are to drop off and pick up child in the front foyer. If the parent notices too many families in the foyer at the same time, please wait outside until a family exits.
- Parents must wear masks when dropping off and picking up.
- Check-in and Check-out will be done through the Brightwheel Mobile App.
- Split group activities whenever possible to keep children physically separated and distanced.
- Increase the space between kids at a table.



Frequently Asked Questions

General Questions

Q: Why is League of Extraordinary Children opening?

A: We realize that now, more than ever, families need our help. We are an essential service for hardworking families, and we welcome their children to join our center as long as they have not been exposed, are symptom-free, and there are no restrictions from the health department. Our staff are following a series of health and safety guidelines to ensure we keep our centers as safe and clean as possible and ensure the health and safety of children in our care. We are following the CDC, American Academy of Pediatrics and the State of NJ (DCF & DHS) very closely to keep up with the latest guidance and direction.

Q: How does LOEXC make decisions regarding coronavirus?

A: We're working closely with the CDC, School Nurse/Owner Lauren Garcia, and state and local health departments to respond as quickly as possible to the latest guidance and direction.

Q: What is your criteria for closing League of Extraordinary Children?

A: We continue to closely follow the guidance of the local and State health departments. Any decision to close would be made in partnership with them. If a case of coronavirus is found at LOEXC, we would follow the direction of our public health officials. We'll be sure to communicate with you quickly so you are informed about all actions we take.

Q: How likely is it that League of Extraordinary Children would close again?

A: Due to the many unknown factors and the continued changes, we cannot determine the likelihood of a closure. We continue to closely follow the guidance of the local health department. Any decision to close would be made in partnership with the local health department.

Q: What if you don't have enough teachers because they are all out due to concern of coronavirus in the community?

A: We're hard at work to ensure that LOEXC stays open to support our communities.

Q: How would we be notified about closures and re-opening?

A: We will communicate with you via telephone, email, and through the Brightwheel Mobile App, as well as post communications on our [website](#) and social media pages.



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Q: Will you continue to enroll families during this outbreak?

A: Absolutely! We welcome all families to join our center as long as they have not been exposed, are symptom-free, and there are no restrictions from the health department.

Q: Do I get charged tuition if I don't bring my child to the center due to coronavirus concerns?

A: You will not be charged tuition if you decide to withdraw your child from League of Extraordinary Children. *Please note: If you plan on bringing your child back at a later date, a registration fee (\$100) & 1-week tuition will be required at enrollment.* In the event of a prolonged closure once again, League of Extraordinary Children will determine an agreeable tuition amount to cover overhead costs. We are committed to taking care of our teachers should we need to close LOEXC once again. We will be providing virtual classrooms & activities for our families.

Q: Do you reserve spots for families that have been isolated based on recommendation of the Health Department?

A: If the absence from the center is a recommendation or requirement from the health department, we will work with the families to hold their spots as long as possible.

Keeping our Children and Staff Safe & Happy

Q: How are you keeping children safe and healthy in your center?

A: We are closely monitoring the latest updates from the CDC, WHO, and AAP to ensure we're following their guidance on the most up-to-date recommendations. You can view what we're doing at our centers down below or by visit our [site](#).

Q: How does the coronavirus affect children?

A: The CDC has the most up to date and reliable information on coronavirus's impact on children.

Q: What if a child or teacher shows symptoms associated with coronavirus while they are at the center?

A: If a child or teacher begins to show symptoms of coronavirus or any other illness, we'll follow our [exclusion for illness policy](#). In that case, the child or teacher would be asked to return home, see a doctor and we will then partner with our local health department to obtain a recommendation on how to proceed. We'll continue to be diligent about enforcing our existing policy. While we understand the additional burden this may cause, staying home when sick is one of the best ways to stop illness from spreading.



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Q: What can I do with my child to help prevent transmission?

A: We see our center as a safe and clean environment for children to learn and grow, and we need your partnership. If your child is symptomatic, we ask that they stay home until they've been symptom free without medication. If you choose to keep your child at home, please call us and keep us informed. As part of our daily curriculum, we continue to emphasize the importance of hand washing and align with recommended 20-second hand-washing techniques. We're reinforcing this action with children at least every hour throughout the day. You can do the same at home!

Q: Is LOEXC doing what's necessary to procure the necessary cleaning supplies?

A: Yes, we have all of the necessary supplies available in our center. If you have any concerns, please contact our main office.

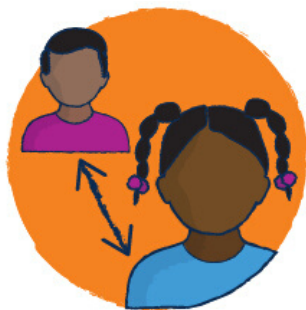
Q: Are you going to do a deep clean?

A: We're diligently cleaning and disinfecting the center throughout the day, as well as regularly practicing the hand-washing and respiratory etiquette. These are the most effective methods outlined by the CDC in the prevention of spreading illness. We're working closely with local health departments to determine if and when a deep clean is recommended.



Drop Off & Pick Up

Our new routines for drop-off and pick-up are designed to ensure everyone in our center stays healthy and safe. Only one family at a time will be permitted inside the foyer, where our staff will conduct a quick health screening to ensure your child does not have a fever above 100.4 or other flu-like symptoms. A designated teacher will take your child to and from the classroom. For pick-up, parents must call prior and a teacher will bring your child to the foyer. Please be mindful of keeping a six-foot distance from others during drop-off and pick-up. *Parents are asked to wear a mask during drop-off and pick-up.* Check-in, along with check-out will be conducted via the Brightwheel Mobile App.



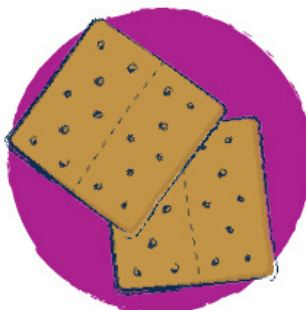
Social Distancing

We will practice social distancing in the classroom throughout the day. Your children will remain in the classroom or on the playground with their teachers and classmates. For added safety, different classes will not interact with one another, and all special events and visitors will be postponed until further notice.



Cleaning

Our teachers will implement an even more rigorous cleaning routine, and all high-touch surfaces and objects will be sanitized regularly throughout the day. These include, but are not limited to, all learning materials, playground structures, light switches and door handles.



Preparing Food

Teachers will continue to wear gloves while helping children with snack time and lunch. We will discontinue family-style servings at snack time. The teachers will serve children individually.



Face Masks & Shoes

In NJ, Staff shall be required to wear cloth masks while working unless doing so would inhibit the individual's health. We have provided all our staff with masks, guidance and best practices about wearing face coverings at LOEXC. Parents with children 2 years and older are asked to please provide masks so that the children can wear when they take their walks outside. Both staff and students are asked to bring "indoor shoes" to wear in the center.

Along with our guidance, our center must follow local health and state guidelines to ensure they're compliant with health and safety orders.

