



RETURN TO SCHOOL PLAN

Dear MSE community,

Montessori School of Englewood has been working diligently to prepare a return-to-school plan that opens our classrooms back to students in a way that safeguards the health of children, their families, and our staff. We have determined the best course of action is **to return on March 1st, 2021.**

Our staff has had access to the COVID 19 Vaccine, and those that have opted in at this time will have had access to both shots, and according to the CDC, they will have developed antibodies. However, we will maintain all the safety precautions recommended by the Illinois Department of Health. We do not know if vaccinated people can still spread disease, so parents will not enter the building.

PLEASE NOTE: The Friday preceding our reopening date will be a teacher professional development day to allow for classroom preparation; there will be no classes on Friday, February 26. The children will be expected to make-up work online. The MSE office will send out an all-call message to notify families. Please make sure the office has your updated contact information so you receive important information promptly. When school reopens, families have two options:

- (1) your child may continue with remote learning
- (2) your child may return to the classroom (full-time or on a hybrid basis, depending on the number of returning students).

To plan for a safe return to school, we need an accurate count of children returning or continuing to learn from home. We are committed to maintaining small classes in return to school and will plan for five days/week in-person instruction or a hybrid model based on family responses. You must let us know as soon as possible if you plan to return to school. Spaces are limited, so please let us know if you are returning by Friday, February 12th.

We look forward to hearing from you and hope for the chance to see your children in the classroom as soon as safely possible.

Dr. Nyela Wells, Principal

Rita Nolan, Executive

