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Important information regarding 2020-2021 enrollment at UGCS. July 20, 2020

We are reaching out to each family that is enrolled to verify if you still anticipate having your child attend Union Grove Christian School when we reopen for traditional learning in the fall. This information is vital as we make final preparations for the upcoming school year.

After meeting with the COVID-19 Task Force, we want to communicate to you that we will provide social distancing when possible, but it will not be possible to do so in all settings due to limited facilities. We are, however, arranging for all the precautions and cleaning procedures we can provide to keep everyone as safe as possible. At this time, face masks are recommended but are not required. We are leaving this decision to the discretion of parents.

Our national association, the American Association of Christian Schools, is recommending that we have parents sign a COVID-19 Waiver Form for each child attending UGCS. **You must return the signed form by July 31, 2020, to retain your child's place in the school.**

A few parents have requested that we provide an online learning option. While we would like to accommodate all of our families, we are not in a position to have a dual program of traditional classroom and online learning. We realize that some parents may not feel it is safe to send your child back to school and may consider other options.

If we do not receive the signed COVID-19 Waiver, we will assume you have or are considering other plans to educate your child, and we will move them to the waiting list. While registration fees are non-refundable, we will refund curriculum fees at your request.

Within a few days, I am planning to introduce our administrative team for the new school year. We will also keep you up to date on our COVID-19 plans as needed. As I mentioned, our Covid-19 program will continue to be modified as required. Please pray for the Task Force as they make decisions in the best interest of our students.

I want to thank Mr. Pete Steinhaus, Mr. Dan Hightower, Mr. Wes Cromer, Pastor T.W. Bailey, and Mr. Richie Owens, the Covid-19 Task Force, as well as others, who are assisting me in preparing for a great school year despite these unprecedented times.

Committed To A Quality Christian Education,
Pastor Ken Harris
UGCS President

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COVID-19 WAIVER 2020**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Union Grove Christian School has been exploring different and reasonable ways to provide services to all students. UGCS has worked with state and local agencies, including our local health department, to draft and implement guidelines moving forward regarding cleaning, screening, social distancing, etc. Though Union Grove Christian School and its agents will work hard to implement and abide by those guidelines, neither the guidelines themselves nor even guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) would allow UGCS to guarantee an environment that is entirely free of COVID-19 related risks.

By allowing your child to return to campus, however, you acknowledge and understand that your child’s attendance will require him/her to interact physically with the Union Grove Christian School faculty, staff, other students, and even volunteers. As such, despite reasonable mitigation efforts on behalf of Union Grove Christian School, physical interaction with the public at large may pose some unavoidable risks to you, your child, and your family due to the COVID-19 pandemic. With that, you further acknowledge and agree to the following:

1. **Waiver and Release.** You hereby release and forever discharge and hold harmless Union Grove Christian School and its agents (any employee, client, agent, owner, shareholder, board member, or any other representative of Union Grove Christian School from any and all liability, claims and demands of whatever kind or nature, either in law or in equity, which arise or may hereafter arise from your child’s return to campus and/or participation in activities associated with Union Grove Christian School. You understand that this release discharges Union Grove Christian School from any liability or claim that you may have against the School with respect to COVID-19.

2. **Assumption of Risk.** You further understand that your child’s return and/or participation may expose him/her and others to unavoidable COVID-19 community spread. As such, you hereby expressly and specifically assume the risk of injury or other harm, and also expressly release the School and its agents (any employee, client, agent, owner, shareholder, board member, or any other representative of the School from all liability for injury, illness, or other issue resulting from or in any way related to your child’s return or participation. **Union Grove Christian School is limited in its ability to provide social distancing but will do so when possible. At this time, we are recommending face masks, but they are not required. We are leaving this decision to the discretion of parents.**

BY EXECUTING BELOW, YOU ACKNOWLEDGE HAVING READ AND UNDERSTOOD ALL OF THE ABOVE-TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

Your Child’s Printed Full Name*

Your Printed Full Name

Your Signature

_____/_____/2020
Date of Signing

**Please complete and sign a COVID-19 Waiver for each child you have that attends Union Grove Christian School by Friday, July 31, 2020.*



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