

2020-2021 Hybrid Model:

Pre-K instruction is provided through a combination of face to face instruction and distance learning, allowing for programs to decrease the number of students and staff exposed to each other.

Tips for Success

Partner with Parents:

- Clearly communicate the program's chosen model (split schedule, entire class, two-day rotation, or other approved model) and distance learning schedule.
- Encourage families to arrange for an alternate learning environment for the distance learning portion of the model provided (i.e. at home with parent or another caregiver).

Sanitation:

- Have all teachers and students sanitize or wash hands upon entering the classroom and between activities throughout the day.
- Clean/disinfect tables, high touch areas, and common materials frequently. Discourage sharing of items that are difficult to clean or disinfect.
- Ensure adequate supplies to minimize sharing of high touch materials to the extent possible (e.g., assign each student their own pencil, scissors, crayons & glue) or limit use of supplies and equipment by one group of children at a time and clean and disinfect between use.

In-Class Activities:

- Optimize time in class with intentional planning for delivery of instruction.
- Determine which activities must occur within the classroom, and which could be performed at home.
- As much as possible, include Circle Time, one story time, phonological awareness, music and movement, center time and outside play while on site. Times may be reduced to accommodate the shortened day.
- Include small group instruction daily.
- · Remember to collect assessment data.

At-Home Activities:

- Distance learning can be provided through virtual learning and/or at home, hands on learning activities.
- Consider providing weekly activity schedules with things to do daily.
- Learning materials and supplies must be provided on a regular basis.
- Ensure step-by-step easy to follow directions.
- Keep activities simple with easy clean-up.

Resources for Support

COVID-19 Related Stories For Schools: https://www.autismlittlelearners.com/2020/07/covid-19-related-stories-for-schools.html

Free Printable Handwashing Posters: https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/posters.html

Social Distancing Greeting Choices For Kids: https://boxofideas.uk/social-distancing-greetings/

Tips for Distance Learning: https://gpb.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/tips-for-distance-learning-with-pbs-learningmedia/virtual-professional-learning-series-video-gallery/

7 Tips for Managing Distance Learning in Preschool: https://www.edutopia.org/article/7-tips-managing-distance-learning-preschool

How to Teach Distance Learning Preschool:

https://www.notimeforflashcards.com/2020/05/distance-learning-preschool.html

