

July 10, 2020

We Believe We Can Keep Our Doors Open ALL Year Long. This is How We Do It.

Dear ECC Families,

In the best of times, making choices for our children is challenging. Sifting through child care and school options during a pandemic can feel downright impossible. If you're having trouble with making sense of it all, please know you are not alone. We all feel it.

After a great deal of thoughtful discussion, consultations with physicians, and research, the ECC is committed to opening at full capacity as planned on August 10th.

The best way to ensure a successful year ahead is to all be on the same page and work together to keep our kids and staff safe. Staying open all year is the top priority of both the ECC Task Force as well as all of the parents who don't want to see their kids to run naked across their Zoom call one more time, stomach one more episode of Cosmic Kids Yoga, or take one more homeschool field trip to the laundry room.

Minimizing any chance of bringing germs into our school requires a strong partnership between the families and the ECC staff. We have seen during the summer that the ECC families and staff are committed to ensuring that we don't have to close the school. The staff is working diligently and behind the scenes to creatively solve problems that simply don't have a good answer. But we think we have what it takes to get the job done, safely and responsibly. But we need your help when you and your child are not at the ECC.

Here's what we can all do to ensure school stays open all year:

- Social distance as much as possible
- Wash hands frequently
- Wear a mask
- Stay 6 feet away from anyone who does not live in your home or is not in your family unit
- Avoid large crowds at all costs
- Consider not sending your child for two days after air travel

There are countless reasons that we chose to send our children to the ECC. Not the least of which is that parents at the ECC are responsible, like-minded, wonderful people. Thank you for continuing to make responsible choices for your family, your child, and the entire ECC community, both in AND out of the building. We can't wait to see you all for what is sure to be a year we will never forget.

Shabbat Shalom,
ECC Covid Task Force