August 22, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We look forward to the new school year at Empower Children’s Academy! We will together work to provide the best education for your child with safety protocols in place. Our Reopening Plan is available on our website, www.empower-wny.org, for you to review. As always, you have a choice in the educational plan for your child (virtual/remote or in-person). The instructional model will change throughout the year.

Taking everyone’s health into consideration, we have decided to start September 2-4 with the remote learning model. You will be contacted by your child’s teacher and therapists to work on school readiness these three days. Information on our google classroom/therapy room will be provided to you. The teachers will have lessons on mask wearing, social distancing, and hand washing. You will have the opportunity to have a virtual tour of the classroom and meet your child’s team. Your child’s individualized instructional plan will be set based on your contact preferences. Please let us know if you like phone calls, email, or zoom meetings.

Starting Tuesday, September 8, we will implement the hybrid model in our reopening plan. This model provides two days of in-person and three days of remote instruction to our students. Each child will attend in-person on either Monday & Tuesday or Thursday & Friday. Enclosed you will find information on the days your child will attend.

We need your help to keep our school safe for your child and the other students and staff. Information on ECA’s health and safety procedures are included in this mailing. There are two forms that are required for you to sign and return to us. Please make sure we have your up to date phone numbers and emergency contacts.

Please call 297-1478, ext. 160, with any questions about school or 286-6000, with any questions about the bus.

Sincerely,

Mary R. Hoffman

Educational Services Supervisor