



# SCOTTSDALE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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Dear SCA Community,

I hope this summer has been full of joy, togetherness, and reflection for your family. While we have been busy preparing for a great year ahead, this summer has allowed us time to reflect on the interesting year behind us. While the previous school year was one of unexpected challenges, there were so many things to be thankful for. First and foremost, the safety of our community and the ability to have in-person learning that children so desperately needed was a blessing. There were many sacrifices all of us in the community had to make, but the fact that most of our students were learning in a classroom with peers and instructors was something to be thankful for.

As we enter a highly anticipated new year, we will continue to keep the safety of our students a priority, while at the same time evaluating the best ways to provide excellent instruction to fulfill our mission. We will be returning with full in-person instruction and will be continuing to monitor the virus closely for any significant updates. We again ask that everyone please be extra vigilant throughout the year to not enter campus if you are experiencing any symptoms or have been exposed to anyone with COVID-19, and of course to keep your children home for the same reasons.

If we all come together as a community in this way, keeping our children home when experiencing symptoms, we can significantly reduce the frequency of quarantines or potential closures. Here are some of the key elements to be aware of for the year to come:

- We have many cleaning procedures we utilize to keep our campus safe that we will continue.
- As mentioned at the end of the last school year, we are no longer offering the Remote Learning Option (RLO) at SCA.
- Masks are optional and supported for those who wish to wear them.
- Quarantine guidance for exposures to those with COVID-19 will be determined on a case-by-case basis based on the most current recommendations, as we were doing at the end of the previous school year.

COVID-19 updates will be sent out to the community as necessary if there are any changes to our protocols. Thank you for continuing to support the safety of our campus by reducing exposure outside of your home to all extents possible and supporting the protocols we have in place. In challenging times, and especially now, we are so blessed to be a part of this amazing community of Christ-followers, united in spirit.

May God continue to bless you and your families through these times. We are looking forward to a great year and are anxiously awaiting the arrival of our precious students back on campus to serve our Lord together!

In Him,

Dr. Hodges