

## **THE HAVEN COVID-19 UPDATE**

Dear parents and guardians,

As we prepare for the potential of more confirmed cases throughout Florida we are actively preparing our campus to ensure the safety and wellness of our clients, families, and staff. We ask that you be understanding during this time as we put these precautions into place. The Haven continues to monitor updates from Sarasota and Manatee County, Early Learning Coalition, The Florida Department of Health, Center for Disease Control, and Agency for Persons with Disabilities. All information provided is subject to change.

### **Effective immediately:**

#### **EXCLUSION POLICY:**

- If you or any member of your family is planning to travel out of the country or are going on a cruise, you must be excluded from all programming at The Haven for 14 days upon return. This includes the Selby Preschool, Haven Academy, Haven Industries, Adult Day Training, Residential, and Resale Shop.  
*\*To return we will need notification of your return date to ensure that 14 days of exclusion has been in effect.*
- If your child/client shows symptoms of the following: cough, fever, shortness of breath, or sore throat they will be restricted from all programming and be excluded from the program for 14 days.
- If your child/client displays symptoms, you will be asked to pick them up within an hour.

#### **HOW THE HAVEN IS HANDLING NON-CLIENTS/STUDENTS:**

- In the event that Sarasota or Manatee county Schools close, The Haven will also close.
- The agency has canceled all tours until further notice.
- The agency has also notified volunteers and visitors that they will not be allowed on campus until further notice.

**We realize these restrictions can force our families and employees to make difficult decisions. However, our maximum priority at this time is to try and make our programs as healthy as possible so that instruction can continue and we can finish the hard work that has been ongoing all year long.**

## **References:**

### **International Travel Advisory**

Department Of Health is advising all individuals who have traveled internationally to follow the new CDC guidelines Level 3: Mandatory 14-day self-isolation and practice social distancing upon return to the United States. Social distancing includes avoiding going out in public and close personal interactions. If you become symptomatic, immediately self-isolate and contact your county health department or health care provider. Level 2 and Cruises: Monitor your health and limit interactions with others for 14 days after returning to the United States. If you become symptomatic, immediately self-isolate and contact your county health department or health care provider.

For more information regarding current CDC travel advisories related to COVID-19, visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>

The Florida Department of Health reminds everyone that the elderly and those with underlying medical problems like high blood pressure, heart problems and diabetes are more likely to develop serious illness. Please remember to wash your hands with soap & water, cover your coughs & sneezes with your arm, not your hands. If you're sick, stay at home & avoid crowds.