



Now more than ever, Desert Christian Schools is committed to our families and students. Nothing has been easy about the past six months for any of us. The pandemic has challenged us in ways that I don't think we would have ever imagined. It has shifted our personal lives and altered our plans at DCS. We greatly appreciate your willingness to readjust and pivot over the past few months. You have all been incredible!

As of October 7, DCS has submitted the waiver application to the Los Angeles County Department of Health to reopen for TK-2. Documentation has been posted on our website as one of the requirements of complying with the application process. After LA County has reviewed the application, it will be passed to the California State Department of Health for approval or denial. The Los Angeles County Department of Health has made it very clear that this waiver application is only for elementary school (grades TK-2). They stated that more grade levels will be gradually added. The only way that middle school and high school students can be back on campus is to have the County of Los Angeles be removed from the Governor's County watch list and then stay off that list for 14 consecutive days.

When elementary students are back on campus, they will still need to follow all COVID-19 protocols, including social distancing, face masks, health checks, hand washing, etc. We will monitor the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health's regulations and adapt our plans as needed. We are prepared to meet any new challenges together as a united front.

Thank you for your continued trust and commitment to Desert Christian. The Lord has blessed this ministry for over 43 years, and He continues to show His goodness and faithfulness to our school, staff, and families.

In His grip,

David Pratt
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