



Important Update re: COVID-19

from Gil Fonger, President & CEO

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- **Phase Projections for Reopening Plan at Marklund**

As of today, based on information provided by Gov. Pritzker's office, we have created a projection of how we are seeing possible phases for our getting back to normal—or at least a new normal. This is obviously our prediction for the best case scenario, and dates/specific guidelines are still subject to change.

As we are currently in **Phase 2**, we see **Phase 3 going into effect on May 31**. At that point, Social Distancing/Wearing Masks/Screening for fever will remain active, our School/CDS programs will remain closed, gatherings will be allowed only for groups of 10 and under, and Outings and visitor restrictions will still be in place. Small groups (under 10) may work in the office although telework is still encouraged for non-essential staff, and intercampus travel will be allowed only as needed.

In **Phase 4, which we hope will go into effect in mid-July**, we see more restrictions lifted, particularly with regard to allowing residence visitors, outings with guidelines, larger gatherings of up to 50 people, welcoming back volunteers with restrictions, and reopening of our School and CDS programs under specific guidelines. During this phase we also expect to continue the Social Distancing/Mask/Screening protocol.

I will continue to update everyone on the phases as we move forward.

- **No Residential COVID-19 Cases**

We are pleased to report that as of today, there are no positive cases of COVID-19 among our residential population.

- **Celebrating our Nurses and Teachers**

Last week, we celebrated our sincere appreciation of our nurses and teachers during **National Nurses Week** and **National Teacher Appreciation Week**. These staff members have taken on so much more over these past 7+ weeks and have done so with incredible passion and professionalism. We are blessed to have such amazing people on the Marklund team!

- **Certificate of Occupancy Received for New School**

We received our Certificate of Occupancy for the new Marklund Day School-Geneva today. The new school will serve 66 students: 30 with multi-needs and 36 on the autism spectrum. The Grand Opening is scheduled for July 24.

God bless you,

GILBERT FONGER, President & CEO

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