

# AEF Schools Update

## 12-16-2020

### Winter Vacation / New Year / COVID Quarantine Procedures

#### Quote of the Week

It is the set of the sails, not the direction of the wind that determines which way we will go.

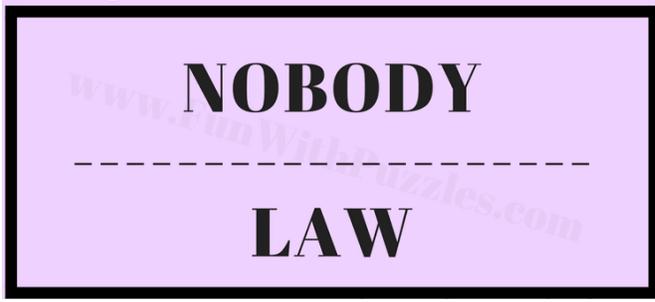
Jim Rohn

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#### Win a \$10 Publix Gift Card by answering our “Riddle”

- Gift card can be picked up at the school or mailed to your house.
- The riddle is found somewhere in this newsletter. Good luck! We have changed the format of our riddles to be more challenging. We are now using visual puzzles which must be deciphered.



Answer – Nobody is above the law

**This week’s puzzle is somewhere in this newsletter.**

Dear AEF Families,

We hope this update finds you and yours safe and healthy.

On behalf of the staff of AEF, we want to wish you all a happy and healthy holiday break and new year.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, we want to thank our staff for their hard work, dedication, and commitment to our students during these unprecedented times. They truly have gone above and beyond to help our on-campus and remote learners achieve academic success.

### **COVID Policy to Return From Winter Break**

Although the CDC has recommended no travel or gatherings over the Winter Break, we are aware that many families still intend to travel and gather. Therefore, please read the following protocols and procedures which detail the steps you need to take, in order for your child to return to “on campus learning” after Winter Break.

**If you are keeping your child working remotely, this does not apply to you.**

Due to increasing concern of COVID spread, caused by travel, crowds, and gatherings during Winter Break/New Years, AEF has made schedule changes to allow for students to quarantine prior to returning to campus.

Families that travel out of town, congregate with other families, or have out of town travelers into their home, will need to quarantine for either:

- 7 days with a negative test on or after day 7
- 10 days without a test prior to returning to on campus learning

Following CDC guidelines, we encourage you to avoid travel, congregating, or having visitors to your home over Winter Break.

However, if you choose to travel, congregate, or have visitors into your home (local or out of town), we recommend you end all travel and cease all potential exposure by January 2, 2021. This will allow your child to resume on campus learning by January 11, 2021.

## Class and Parent Conference Schedule

Please read the following carefully:

- Remote Classes will resume on January 7<sup>th</sup>.
- There are NO on campus classes Jan 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> (Remote Only)
- Parent Conferences (Virtual) Jan 4<sup>th</sup> to Jan 8<sup>th</sup>
- On Campus classes will resume on Monday – January 11, 2021.
- All Transport, PreCare, and Aftercare will resume on January 11, 2021.

Jan 4	Jan 5	Jan 6	Jan 7	Jan 8
No School Teacher Work Day Parent Appointments	No School Teacher Work Day Parent Appointments	No School Teacher Work Day Parent Appointments	Remote School Only  Parent Appointments	Remote School Only  Parent Appointments
Jan 11	Jan 12	Jan 13	Jan 14	Jan 15
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There are protocols and requirements for students and staff to return to campus. While these may be

inconvenient, they are in place help ensure the safety of our AEF families and give us the greatest opportunity to remain open to on-campus learning.

Please see the attached [Winter Break Attest Form](#) or click this link. You will need to complete this form and return it to your campus supervisor in order for your child to return to on-campus learning.

### Protocols for Staff and Students at AEF to Return to Campus after Winter Break

1. If you travelled out of town, you may NOT return to campus for:
  - a. 7 days after returning home provided you receive a negative test administered on or after the 7<sup>th</sup> day. The school must be provided with a copy of the results prior to staff or student returning.or
  - b. Without a test - 10 days after returning home and symptom free without medication. (Provided everyone else in the home or who you have had contact with, is symptom free.)
2. If you had out of town relatives to your home, other families who do not live with you, to your home, or if you visited other homes, you may NOT return to campus for:
  - a. 7 days after relatives left your home provided you receive a negative test administered on or after the 7<sup>th</sup> day. The school must be provided with a copy of the results prior to staff or student returning.

or

- b. Without a test - 10 days after relatives left the home and symptom free without medication. (Provided everyone else in the home or who you have had contact with, is symptom free.)

3. If you had other families to your home for the holidays or you visited other families' homes during the holidays:

- a. 7 days after relatives left your home provided you receive a negative test administered on or after the 7<sup>th</sup> day. The school must be provided with a copy of the results prior to staff or student returning.

or

- b. Without a test - 10 days after relatives left the home and symptom free without medication. (Provided everyone else in the home or who you have had contact with, is symptom free.)

The only exceptions to these guidelines are if you have already tested positive to COVID within the last 90 days. In that case, you may return to campus 10 days after your first positive COVID test, provided you are symptom free without medications.

New guidelines accept a Nasal Antigen Test and PCR is NOT required.  
Rapid Testing is Permitted

Violating these protocols and/or not informing the school of potential COVID infections **may result in your child being suspended and/or dismissed from the program.**

If anyone in your household has one or more of the following symptoms, please do NOT send your child to school. Contact the school immediately and seek medical advice:

- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Cough
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Rash
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Fever or chills (**Please be aware that COVID infections often do NOT come with a fever**)

**Report COVID or suspected COVID to AEF:**

During school hours      954 581 8222

After hours / weekends   954 327 4377

If you prefer not to call, you can mail attached form to [info@aefschools.com](mailto:info@aefschools.com)

## **6th Grade Mandatory Scoliosis Testing**

All 6<sup>th</sup> Grade students are required to complete a scoliosis screening. Due to COVID, AEF cannot do these screenings on campus. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade students will be required to go to their pediatrician and provide results to AEF by February 1, 2021.

# Weekly Puzzle

Puzzle 1:



Puzzle 2:



What do the above images represent? Send responses for both puzzles.

Send your response to [kdoricent@aefschools.com](mailto:kdoricent@aefschools.com) with your **answer in the subject line.** If your answer is not in the subject line, your email will not be read.

## Testing, Quarantine, and Clearance Protocols

### **If your child or anyone in the household tests positive for COVID:**

- Mandatory 10 - day quarantine at home (10 days after positive test / onset of symptoms)
- A negative COVID test (Rapid Nasal swab) prior to returning to school.  
This test can ONLY be administered on day 10 or after

### **If there is a close contact with someone who has tested positive:**

- Mandatory 7-day or 10-day quarantine at home
  - 7 Days with a negative test administered on day 7 or after
  - 10 days without a test (symptom free without medications)
- Negative COVID test (Rapid nasal swab)  
This test can ONLY be administered on day 7 or after

**If you test positive for COVID, you may return to school 10 days after the first positive COVID test (Nasal Swab). You do NOT need a negative test result to return. Although you may still have detectable virus cells, you are no longer contagious, provided you are free of fever and symptoms after the 10 day period.**

Any student who is quarantining will be allowed to attend remote classes (even if they are not remote learners).

AEF will provide a laptop or Chromebook if needed.