

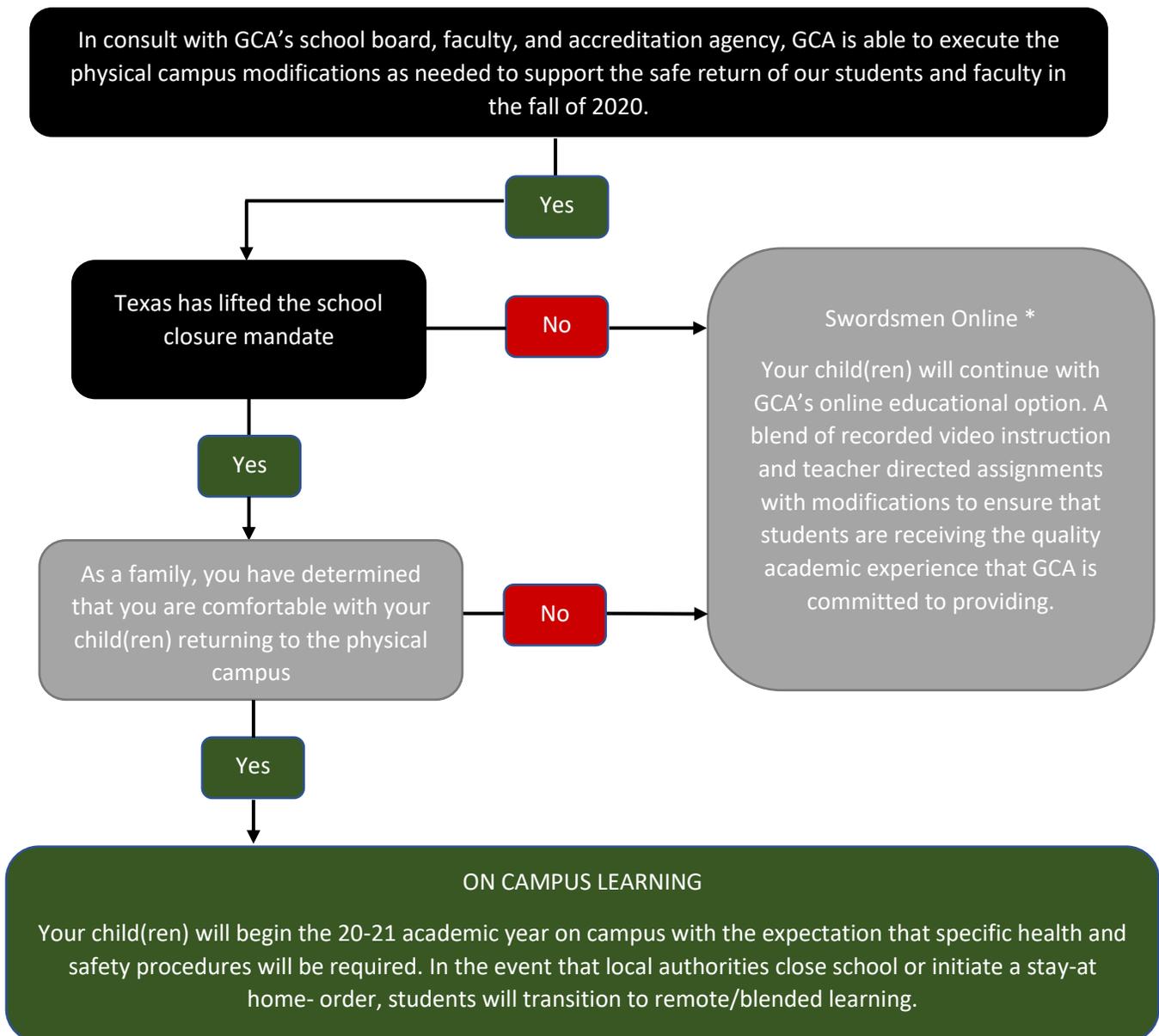


Re-Entry Plan 2020/2021

Re-Entry Planning

The Process

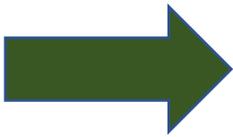
Garland Christian Academy has established a re-entry task force committee which is working diligently to develop a re-entry strategy that allows for flexibility, transparency, and prioritizes the health and safety of our school community. GCA is currently preparing the physical campus to support students in the fall of 2020; however, administration recognizes that some families may not be comfortable with their child(ren) returning at that time. Administration has developed two different re-entry options for our families to navigate.



- * Any student interested in choosing Swordsmen Online, must be approved by the administration and school board, and meet the criteria detailed under option 2.
- * Regular tuition rates apply.

OPTION ONE: On-Campus Learning

The administration and school board of Garland Christian Academy is preparing for on-campus operations to resume in the fall of 2020. GCA will follow specific health precautions in accordance with local, state, and federal requirements to the best of our ability. Specific decisions regarding on-campus modifications will be finalized in the coming months; however, current considerations can be found on the last page of the re-entry plan.



Standard drop-off and pick-up times and procedures will likely remain the same. Parents will be asked not to walk their child(ren) into the school building, but remain in their vehicles and use the drop-off and pick-up lines only.



GCA's participation in athletic offerings will be determined by the guidance provided by the Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools (TAPPS) and our accreditation agency.



Elective choices and some after school activities may be altered or suspended for the 20/21 school year.

Preparing for Interruptions

Following the recommendations from our school board, faculty, and trends from past pandemics, GCA is preparing for waves of interruption to our on-campus learning. In the event our local community experiences a spike in COVID-19 cases and an interruption of on-campus learning occurs, a shift to Swordsmen Online will take place immediately.

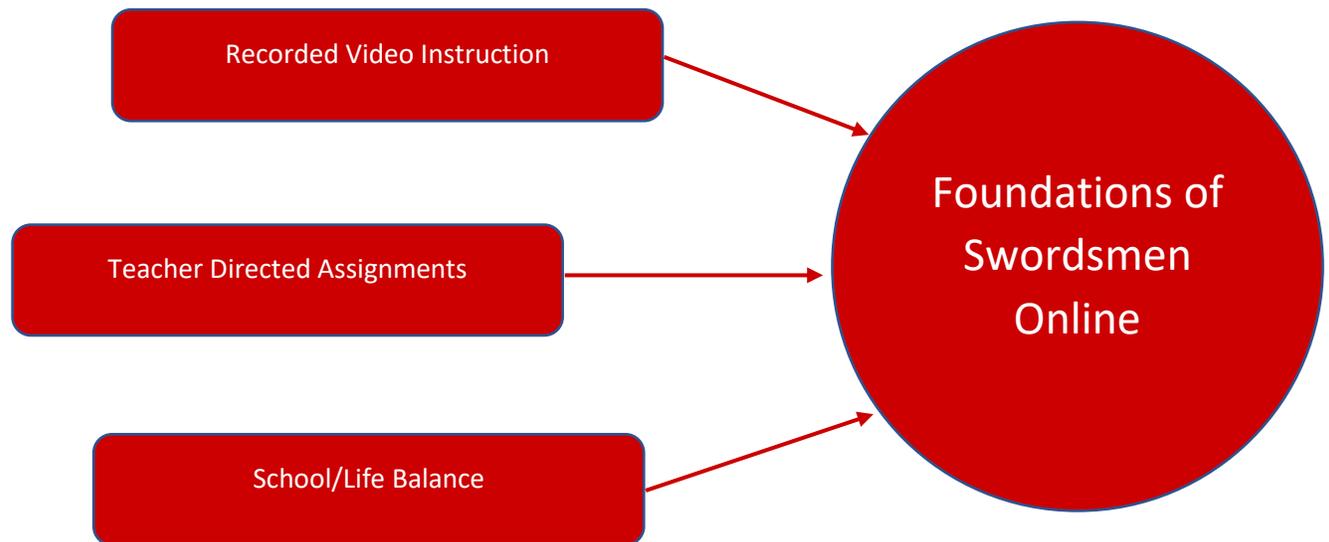


OPTION TWO: Swordsmen Online

Candidacy for Swordsmen Online

Due to the independent nature of online blended learning, students interested in enrolling in Swordsmen Online must be a good candidate for this model. Candidacy is shown by a history of academic excellence and a strong personal work ethic. Families must provide documentation of a health or medical reason for their decision to enroll in Swordsmen Online. All applicants must be approved by the school board and administration.

Swordsmen Online does not change our mission of assisting parents in providing an excellent education within a biblical worldview in order to develop a Christ-like, intellectually-equipped, community-focused, and well-rounded student. This model blends recorded video instruction with teacher directed assignments with a schedule designed to provide school/life balance, mindfulness, and daily readings.



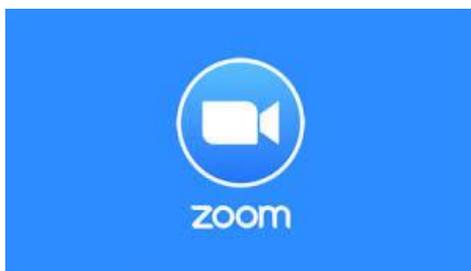
Notes:

1. Certain courses may not be available through Swordsmen Online. This may include electives.
2. When choosing Swordsmen Online, you are agreeing to your student being present (remotely) when required.
3. Parents are also agreeing to serve as proctors when required.

Digital Platforms



Swordsmen Online will continue to utilize Google Classroom. This platform will be used in the event of a government mandate to cease in-person classes.



Zoom is a video conferencing platform that can be used to provide video instruction as well as student-teacher interaction. This platform will also be utilized for student activities if necessary.

Physical

While specific decisions and plans will be finalized in the coming months as information and updated public health guidelines are issued, strategies are being developed in the following areas including but not limited to:



Temperature checks may be required for students, faculty, staff, and vendors.



Regular sanitizing and cleaning, including the use of electrostatic disinfectant.



Changes to campus access for visitors and parents.



Continued use of online platforms (Google Classroom) if needed to limit in-person contact for academics and student activities.



Modifications to programs and events in compliance with limits on crowd size in common areas.



Pedestrian traffic flow signage posted on campus.