

April 7, 2020

Dear SCOPE Families,

We at SCOPE recognize that this is an extremely difficult and stressful time for everyone. I am hoping that this letter finds all of our SCOPE families healthy and safe in your homes. I encourage each of you to comply with Governor Cuomo's Executive Order to remain home as our nurses, doctors, medical technicians, first responders and other essential employees work on the front lines of this pandemic to keep us healthy and safe. Complying with request to shelter at home and remain away from friends and family will be of great assistance in preventing the unnecessary spread of COVID-19.

To keep you up to date with SCOPE, we have been working in coordination with the Nassau and Suffolk Superintendents Associations and the Nassau and Suffolk County Executive offices to provide free emergency child care programs to the families of first responders, medical employees and other essential workers. These programs are open Monday through Friday from 7 A.M. – 6:30 P.M. Currently there are hundreds of children attending these sites. As the Executive Director of SCOPE, I am so very proud of each and every one of our employees staffing these sites and those that are supporting their efforts. SCOPE's emergency child care workers are truly unsung heroes of the fight against COVID-19. Please keep all of our first responders, medical employees, SCOPE emergency child care staff and all of the essential workers in your thoughts. We hope that they and their families remain safe and healthy as they work to bring this crisis to closure.

You have received information from SCOPE's business department regarding the emergency closure of our programs last month. We have now been informed that schools will remain closed through April 29. I remain hopeful that school districts will reopen after April 29 and that we may resume normal activities. Once we are able to return to our normal operation, credits will be applied to the remainder of this year's SCOPE programs as described in the information you have already been provided. In addition, we hope to re-open the registration for all SCOPE programs for next year's 2020-21. In recognition of the serious financial issues many of our families are currently facing, registration for 2020-21 programs will not require prepayment of the September tuition. After the online registration process is complete, you will be invoiced in June 2020 for payment.

As a result of the Executive Order to stay at home and reduce staff at businesses, SCOPE is working on a much reduced staffing level. Only those that are essential to the operation of the emergency child care programs are in the offices and many others are working from home. If you have any questions or concerns you may call our offices at (631) 360-0800, email us at contact@scopeonline.us and or visit our SCOPE website at www.scopeonline.us.

Please stay safe and well! We miss our SCOPE children and hope that we will be able to return to normal operations after April 29!

Sincerely,

George L. Duffy
Executive Director/CEO



March 13, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

During this very difficult and concerning time, SCOPE Education Services continues to offer before and after school child care programs in public schools across Nassau and Suffolk counties. We are working directly with the school districts in which our programs are located and complying with all directives provided by the school district, NYS Department of Health and the NYS Office of Children and Family Services.

SCOPE is taking an abundance of caution, following all recommended preventative measures to eliminate the spread of illness. Every program is ensuring that children wash and dry hands thoroughly and often, hand sanitizer is being made available to programs as an added precaution, but may not be used in place of hand washing. Children are encouraged to cover their noses and mouths when sneezing/coughing and to utilize tissues (and to dispose of them in proper receptacles) when necessary. Additionally, we are limiting exposure of children to anyone outside of the SCOPE staff; therefore we will not be utilizing outside presenters or allowing unnecessary individuals to enter the programs. We ask that children who are ill not be sent to before or after care programs and that if a parent/guardian is ill, they not enter the program to pick up their child. We request that you notify the program, by telephone, and your child(ren) will be escorted to your location.

If you visit a SCOPE program you may be asked the following:

1. Have you traveled to a country for which the CDC has issued a Level 2 or 3 travel designation (currently South Korea, Iran, Italy, China, Japan) within the last 14 days?
2. Have you had any contact with Persons Under Investigation (PUI's) for COVID-19 within the last 14 days, OR with anyone known with COVID-19?
3. Do you have any symptoms of a respiratory infection (e.g., cough, sore throat, fever, or shortness of breath)?

If you answered any of these questions "yes" you may not enter the program.

Should you have any questions regarding the operation of SCOPE's child care programs, kindly speak to your SCOPE program director or call SCOPE Administration Office at 631 360-0800 between the hours of 9:00 am – 4:30 pm. Additional information can be obtained by visiting the SCOPE website @ www.scopeonline.us.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation as we continue to offer a safe and healthy environment for all of the children attending SCOPE program.

Sincerely,

George L. Duffy
Executive Director/CEO

Before and After School Information

Submitting Monthly Calendars

For the safety of the children and program planning it is important for part-time parents to continue to put your calendars online for the month of April.

Refunds/Credit Policy

At this time, no refunds will be issued to parents that utilize SCOPE's before or after school programs on a full time basis. At the end of the school year each district's closings will be evaluated to determine how many of the closed days were not made up. Credits will be applied for these days and refunds will be made, if appropriate.

Credits will be applied only to the accounts of parents that utilize SCOPE's before or after school programs on a part time basis if the child(ren) were scheduled to attend on a day that the district closes.

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