



October 24, 2022

Dear Parent, Guardian, or Community Member,

This letter provides our current operating status as it relates to public health and safety.

Early Stages is providing in-person evaluation appointments at both of our locations: Walker Jones Education Campus 1125 New Jersey Ave NW and Department of Employment Services, 4058 Minnesota Ave NE. We continue to hold eligibility and IEP meetings and Strong Start transition meetings remotely.

To support the general health of all staff and visitors, we have retained several practices established during the public health emergency, including:

- Updated ventilation with Dedicated Outdoor Air System and MERV-13/14 filters
- Portable HEPA filters onsite
- Available masks for families and visitors who would like to use them
- Available hand sanitizing stations
- Additional cleaning throughout the day and between clients

Please note: all evaluations will take place in person. If your child has physical or mental health condition(s) that require a virtual evaluation, please provide a note from your physician.

Early Stages Child Find activity in the community is a hybrid of virtual and in-person work, which can adapt based on the needs and preferences of partner agencies. We will continue to accept referrals, provide screenings, and host workshops and professional development sessions virtually as an option.

We are grateful for our families and community members who partnered with us to navigate the difficulties of the pandemic and helped us become an even more adaptive and responsive program.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sean R. Compagnucci".

Sean Compagnucci
Executive Director, Early Stages