South Fork Union School District Reopening School Plan

2020-21



Superintendent

Introduction

The COVID-19 Pandemic has changed the landscape of our public education more dramatically than any other phenomenon in our state's history. In response to the Pandemic, this document was created to provide a roadmap for navigating through the process of reopening our schools for the 2020-21 school year. This guide should be used to help identify risk levels in the workplace and school settings, and to determine any and all appropriate control measures to implement in response. These are uncertain times, and we know that planning is difficult given the constantly evolving situation we find ourselves in. Therefore, this plan will need to be adjusted as COVID-19 outbreak conditions change at the national, state, or local level, or as new information about the virus, its transmission, or its impacts becomes available. We will continue to be in constant communication with our Local and State Health Authorities, state Department of Education, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to ensure we receive and respond to all updated guidance, with a focus on continuing and improving educational opportunities provided to all of our students.

To create this plan, we sought input from district administration who provided considerations, recommendations, and potential best practices to ensure a safe and successful 2020-2021 school year. Surveying was undertaken to gather input from parents and staff to assess their feelings about the ability of children to effectively learn in various settings, as well as how best we might protect the health and safety of children and their families. Recommendations were sought from district programs including School Nurses and Preschool Program, English Learners, Special Education, Mental/Emotional Support providers, Food Services, Maintenance/Operations/Transportation, and the Technology Department. Guidance provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and California Department of Public Health was also reviewed to ensure that all potential plans are following state and federal guidelines for safe school reopening.

After this intense information gathering process and subsequent review of the input received, various instructional models were reviewed and evaluated for their ability to best meet the needs of our district and the concerns brought by our stakeholders. This led to the decision that our District will implement a Distance Learning model for reopening in the 2020-21 school year. When appropriate we will transition to a model that include an "in Class" as well as distance learning option.

Phase 1 Phase 2 Phase 3 **School Closure Reopening of School Full Distance Learning Traditional School** On Campus w/ Modified Schedule **Substantial Spread** Minimum/Moderate Spread **No Spread Distance/ Remote Learning Traditional Targeted Closure School Buildings Open** Isolate and Disinfect Areas **Modified Daily** Usage of **Implement Preventative Practices** Schedule **Short Term Closure Additional Protocols** Close for facility-wide deep cleaning **Extended Closure** Close Buildings for at least 14 days

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Staff and Students Should Stay Home When Appropriate:

Designate COVID-19 Point of Contact:

- A. When you are feeling sick
- B. When you have recently had a close contact with a person with COVID-19
- C. If you have tested positive for COVID-19
- D. If you are showing COVID-19 symptoms

For additional guidance on addressing community spread, see the CDC's Considerations for Schools.

Designate a staff Person to be responsible for responding to COVID-19 concerns:

All school staff and families should know who this person is and how to contact them:

Parents: Contact School Office



Office: Reports to Administration and School Nurse



Administration & School Nurse:

Identifies if student will need Distance
Learning

Staff: Contact School
Administration



School Nurse in conjunction with Administration:

Establish and maintain communication with local and state Department of Public Health officials as staff reports they should stay home.

Establish a protocol for staff who exhibit COVID-19 like symptoms when at school.

Monitor absenteeism of employees.

Staying Home Symptoms

People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported- ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms MAY have COVID-19.

- Fever or Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headaches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore Throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Level of Community Spread (as determined by state and local health officials)

CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS

SFUSD Schools Preparing the School Adequate Supplies & Signage

Practicing Prevention

Preparing the School





District/School Considerations:

- Teach and reinforce good hygiene measures such as handwashing, covering coughs, and face coverings
- Provide hand soap and hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, paper towels, and no-touch trash cans in all bathrooms, classrooms, and frequently trafficked areas
- Post signage in classrooms, hallways, and entrances to communicate how to stop the spread.
 COVID-19 symptoms, preventative measures (including staying home when sick), good hygiene, and school/district specific protocols
- Provide masks and other appropriate PPE to staff
- Allow students and staff to bring hand sanitizer and face masks/coverings to use from home
- Take steps to ensure all water systems and features are safe
- Turn off water fountains and provide bottled water or allow students and staff to bring water bottles from home

District will follow current CDC recommendations

- 1. Post Signage:
- A. Prepare posters:
 Handwashing/sanitizing, Face
 Covering, Social Distancing, Stay
 Home if Sick, Coughing and Sneezing
- B. Post around the school: Entrance GATE, Parent pick up drop off area, Bathrooms, Cafeteria, Halls, Office
- 2. Sanitizer Station with at least 60% alcohol at every:
- A. ENTRY GATE
- B. Cafeteria Entry
- C. Bus Stop
- D. Bathroom
- E. Lounge
- 3. Face Coverings: Provide to all students and staff:
- A. 2-cloth coverings
- B. Have disposable face coverings for those who forget their mask
- 4. At Screening Stations: Provide Notouch thermal scan thermometers
- 5. All water fountains will be Turned off at every school site:
- A. Allow bottled water from home
- B. Provide disposable cups to students who forget their water bottle
- *For internal use only

- 6. Cleaning Supply Availability:
- A. Have enough school-appropriate cleaning supplies to continuously disinfect the school site in accordance with CDPH guidance.
- B. Ensure sufficient supplies of hand sanitizers, soap, handwashing stations, tissues, no-touch trash cans, and paper towels
- 7. Equipment Availability: Consider the differing requirements of PPE/EPG for the differing populations of students with disabilities (i.e., for those requiring medical procedures, toileting, lifting and mobility assistance).
- 8. Provide other protective equipment, as appropriate for work assignments:
- A. For employees engaging in symptom screening: provide surgical masks, face shield and disposable gloves.
- B. For front office and food service employees: provide face coverings and disposable gloves.
- C. For custodial staff:
- a) provide equipment and PPE for cleaning and disinfecting
- b) Classified staff engaged in deep cleaning and disinfecting should be equipped with proper PPE for COVID-19 disinfection (disposable gown, gloves, eye protection)

CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS **District/School Considerations: Practicing**

Prevention

Staff Training And Information





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SFUSD Schools **Staff Training and Information**

Staff training on:

Isolation Room

1. Using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) VIDEO: https://youtu.be/of73FN086E8 CDC Guideline: Using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Maintenance

2. Cal/OSHA requires that PPE be provided and worn to effectively protect employees from the hazards of the cleaning products used and training be provided to staff on the hazards of chemicals

Students and staff:

Teach & Reinforce Good Hygiene Practices:

- A. Hand Washing When and How to Wash Your Hands | Handwashing
- B. Hand Sanitizing Hand Sanitizer Use Out and About | Handwashing
- C. Use of Face Coverings: How to Safely Wear and Take Off a **Cloth Face Covering**
- D. Cough and sneeze How to Protect Yourself & Others
- E. Social Distancing Social Distancing, Quarantine, and Isolation
- F. What to do if you are feeling sick

	CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS		Schools Distancing
Practicing Prevention Social Distancing	District/School Considerations: Social distancing, also called "physical distancing," means keeping space between yourself and other people outside of your home. To practice social or physical distancing: Stay at least 6 feet (about 2 arms' length) from other people Do not gather in groups Stay out of crowded places and avoid mass gatherings In addition to everyday steps to prevent COVID-19, keeping space between you and others is one of the best tools we have to avoid being exposed to this virus and slowing its spread locally and across the country and world. Limit close contact with others outside your household in indoor and outdoor spaces. Since people can spread the virus before they know they are sick, it is important to stay away from others when possible, even if you—or they—have no symptoms. Social distancing is especially important for people who are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID19. Many people have personal circumstances or situations that present challenges with practicing Social distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19.	1. Social Distancing Markings: Prepare marks around the school: A. Beginning of the Day B. Outside each Classroom C. Outside the bathrooms D. Outside the Cafeteria E. Entrance GATES — outside waiting area 2. Social Distancing inside buildings: Classroom: A. Limit number in the class B. Plan sitting 6 ft. apart Cafeteria: A. Staggered grade levels already in place B. Cafeteria sitting students 6 ft. apart C. Staff Monitoring Social Distancing as students walk in lines from place to place.	3. Social Distancing Recess: Morning Recess Canceled

CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS

SFUSD Schools Entering School Buildings Students

Practicing Prevention

Entering School
Buildings
Students



District/School Considerations:

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- Establish a protocol for students/staff who feel ill/experience symptoms when they come to school (see When a Child, Staff Member, or Visitor Becomes Sick at School)
- Mark spaced lines to enter the building and designate entrance and exit flow paths
- Screen students and staff (to the extent practicable):
 - o Take temperatures ideally before entering buildings
 - o Isolate and send home if internal temperature over 100.4°F (38°C)
 - o Consider safety and privacy concerns (confidentiality should be maintained)
- Establish a protocol for visitors: calling front office before entering, screening visitors, requesting use of face coverings/masks, etc.

 Restrict nonessential visitors and volunteers.
- Establish a protocol for student pick/drop up: staggered entry and release (by grade, class, or bus numbers), marked spacing for pickup

1. Signage at school ENTRANCE

- A. Staying Home when sick
- B. Handwashing
- C. Mouth Covering
- D. Social Distancing
- E. Coughing and Sneezing

2. PASSIVE - Screening Parents:

A. Instruct parents to screen students before leaving for school following "Staying Home when sick" What to Do If You Are

Sick 3. ACTIVE - Screening checkpoints School Gates:

- A. Staff supervising students' points of access
- B. Provide sufficient points of access to avoid larger gatherings
- C. All students wear a face covering (recommended)
- D. All students must wash or sanitize hands as they enter campuses

4. TEMPERATURE STATION

A. Using a "No touch thermometer" staff monitors students' temperature

IF TEMPERATURE NOT ABOVE 100.4F

A. Staff guides student to designated classroom flow OR waiting areas

IF TEMPERATURE OVER 100.4 F

If a student is symptomatic while entering campus or during the school day:

- A. Should be separated from others right away.
- B. Preferably isolated in an area through which others do not enter or pass.
- C. If more than one student is in an isolation area, ensure physical distancing.
- D. Students should remain in isolation with continued supervision and care until picked up by an authorized adult.
- E. Students are not to return until they have met CDC criteria to discontinue home isolation

 School Nurses
 Follow established guidelines for triaging students in the health office, recognizing not all symptoms are COVID-19 related.

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SFUSD Schools

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1. Staff Entering Campuses Symptom Screening Passive Screening:

- A. Instruct staff to self-screen before leaving for work AND respond to the District survey with the following questions:
- 1. Is your temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit?
- 2. Have you had any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 within the last 24 hours? IF YES STAY HOME AND follow CDC home isolation guidelines
- 3. Have you had close contact with a person diagnosed with COVID-19? IF YES STAY HOME AND follow CDC home isolation guidelines

Active Screening:

- B. Establish a symptom screening as staff enter worksites, consistent with public health guidance, which includes:
- a) Visual wellness checks and temperature checks with no-touch thermometers (check temperature to ensure temperature is below 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit),
- b) All staff must wash or sanitize hands as they enter the workplace.

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SFUSD Schools CAMPUS Access Outside Visitors and Groups

Practicing Prevention

Campus Access
Outside
Visitors and
Groups



District/School Considerations:

- Establish a protocol for visitors: calling front office before entering, screening visitors, requesting use of face coverings/masks, etc. Restrict nonessential visitors and volunteers.
- Establish a protocol for student pickup/drop-off: staggered entry and release (by grade, class, or bus numb

OUTSIDE VISITORS AND GROUPS

Limit access to campus for parents and other visitors. Restrict entrance to nonessential visitors OR facility use permit

- A. Continue to provide student support for: Social emotional Special Ed Services Health support Assessment
- B. Support staff follows safety guidelines when providing support to students
- C. Establish protocol for accepting deliveries safely.

 - b. Post signs outside delivery areas: Must wear a face mask

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	CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS	SFUSD Schools Serving Meals
Practicing Prevention Serving Meals	 District/School Considerations: Allow student hand washing before and after meal service Provide hand sanitizer for students and staff Use disposable plates, utensils, etc. Mark spaced lines to enter the cafeteria and serving lines (to the extent practicable); designate entrances and exit flow paths; stagger use Conduct cleaning of cafeterias and hightouch surfaces throughout the school day Alternative Serving Models: Serving meals in classrooms Serving meals in cafeterias with: Spaced serving lines (marked on floors) Spaced seating (utilize outdoor space as practicable and appropriate) Longer meal periods for more staggered meal delivery (utilizing state seat time waiver to extend meal periods) 	Food Service 1. Consider strategies to limit physical interaction during meal preparation and meal service (e.g., serving meals in classrooms, increasing meal service access points, staggering cafeteria use). 2. Suspend use of share tables and self-service buffets for food and condiments. 3. Install physical barriers, such as sneeze guards and partitions, at point of sale and other areas where maintaining physical distance of 6 feet is difficult. 4. With an approved National School Lunch Program waiver, offer meal delivery for students quarantined or in a home-based cohort. 5. If providing meal service in classrooms, plan for cleaning and trash removal. 6. Washing hands every 30 minutes Option 1: Modified Lunch - Aide Monitoring ENTRANCE to Cafeteria: A. Stagger grade level lunches 5 minutes apart B. Students Line Up practicing Social Distancing – marked floors C. Everyone uses hand sanitizer as they come in D. Serving Lines marked – 6th ft. apart E. Sitting is marked – 6th ft. apart E. Sitting is marked – 6th apart F. If weather allows sitting outside with social distancing (no gatherings) G. Monitor Exit flow H. Waiting lines outside are marked 6ft. apart I. Teacher Rainy Day Schedule Option 2: Serving Meals in the Classroom: A. Using Breakfast in the Classroom System B. Students Line Up to pick up Lunch Food Wagon practicing Social Distancing C. Everyone uses hand sanitizer before taking the Food Wagon to
	Consider pre-packaged boxes or bags for each student instead of traditional serving lines. Avoid sharing of foods and utensils.	class D. An Aide Monitors Lunch Food Wagon delivery E. Aides monitor the halls for safe Lunch Wagon Delivery to classrooms Grab and GO Meals – Distance Learning A. Drive Through at Kelso Campus

	CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 - RECOMMENDATIONS	SFUSD Schools Transitioning Students From One Place To Another
	District/School Considerations:	LIMIT MIXING:
Practicing	 Limit mixing between groups (to the extent practicable) 	 ELD – students stay in their homeroom for Designated ELD time Modified due to COVID-19 guidelines
Prevention	 For class changes and other transitions throughout the school day: 	2. Elementary & Middle School - Students stay with their classroom all day to minimize contact with other people
Transitioning	o Provide additional time for transitions (utilizing state seat time waiver to extend transition period)	Reading/Math labs current set up canceled - Reading and math intervention to happen in the classroom by teacher
From one Place to Another	o Designate areas of the hallway (i.e. lanes) as flow paths to keep students separated students to minimize congregation of students	4. PE – TBD BY SITE 5. MUSIC – TBD BY SITE
	o Plan staggered class (ex: by hall, odd/even	ONLY MOVEMENT:
	room numbers, grade/ discipline) changes to	A. Students on IEP's leave to receive services
	decrease number of students in hallways at one time	B. State Testing: following safety guidelines
	o Have the same group of students stay with the same staff (all day for young children and as much as feasible for older children)	

CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS

SFUSD Schools Conducting Large Group Gatherings

Practicing Prevention

Conducting

Large Group

Gatherings



District/School Considerations:

- Abide by the maximum number of people allowed to congregate as defined by the Governor's current statewide Executive Order
- Discourage the congregation of students in parking lots and common areas
- Stagger the schedule for large group gatherings (i.e. recess and school meals)
- Identify and utilize large spaces (i.e. gymnasiums, auditoriums, outside spaces as

Cancel/Discourage:

- A. All gatherings
 - a. Assemblies
 - b. Festivals
 - c. Celebrations
 - d. In Person Parent Meetings (virtual)
 - e. In person staff meetings if not 6ft apart (virtual or provide safety measures)
 - > 6ft. Apart
 - > Face Coverings
 - f. Staff Social Gatherings
 - g. Parking Lot Gatherings
 - h. Other Large Gatherings

CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS

SFUSD Schools

Teaching and Learning

Practicing Prevention

Supporting

Teaching and

Learning

District/School Considerations:

Survey families to gauge which students may want to conduct their schooling virtually for the 2020- 2021 school year.

Traditional Instructional Model:

- Schools can deliver traditional instruction under Minimal/Moderate Spread by implementing the recommendations outlined in this guidance.
- A mixture of District or school-wide distance/ remote learning is allowable and a local decision.
- Use the master schedule to balance class numbers as much as possible remove unused desks and furniture in classrooms; maximize social distancing (to the extent practicable)
- Limit physical interaction through partner or group work
- Establish distance between the teacher's desk/ board and students' desks
- Identify and utilize large spaces (i.e. gymnasiums, auditoriums, outside spaces as weather permits) for social distancing

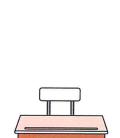


This model should only be implemented if absolutely necessary and after factoring in additional logistical requirements/costs as well as day care requirements placed on working families and unnecessary burden on staff.

After surveying staff and parents, the following Options/Schedules were chosen:

Teaching and Learning:

- A. Students will receive 5-days of in person instruction
- B. Students must receive a minimum amount of daily instruction that can be met by a combination of teacher instruction and "time value" of work assigned.
- 3 hours per day for kindergartners.
- 3 hours, 50 minutes for grades 1-3.
- 4 hours for grades 4-12.
- C. Distance Learning support by:
 - One to One student Chromebook K- 8th grades
 - 90% 95% known student access to wireless equipment to make hot spots available to students unable to access a Wi-Fi connection without leaving their home
 - TK 8th grades online Instructional Distance Learning Daily Schedules and using the district adopted curriculum and additional CDE instructional apps.
 - Teachers delivering lessons via Google Suite
 - Teacher Created YouTube instructional videos (optional)



	CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS	SFUSD Schools Protecting Vulnerable Populations
Practicing Prevention Protecting Vulnerable Populations	 District/School Considerations: Survey at-risk staff members to gauge their intentions in returning to work while maintaining confidentiality consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other applicable federal and state privacy laws Survey families with vulnerable children to gauge their intentions in returning to a traditional school setting while maintaining confidentiality consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other applicable federal and state privacy laws Provide remote/distance learning opportunities for vulnerable student populations in consultation with parents and public health officials Consult district human resources officials to offer special accommodations (such as an alternative teaching assignment) for personnel who are members of vulnerable populations Adhere to FERPA and HIPPA requirements Adhere to state and federal employment law and extended leave allowances Offer an Employee Assistance Program to all staff members 	1. Staff: A. Notify site admin B. Meet with District HR 2. Students: A. DISTANCE LEARNING – Led by appropriate staff a) Parents who choose to keep their students home b) Vulnerable student populations in consultation with parents and public health officials 3. Confidentiality: A. All information is confidential

	CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS	SFUSD Schools Transporting Students
Practicing Prevention	 District/School Considerations: Provide hand sanitizer for students and bus drivers Provide face masks for bus drivers; allow students to wear face masks/coverings Screen students and bus drivers for symptoms of illness and utilize spaced seating (to the extent practicable) Eliminate field trips Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces on the bus at least daily 	Bus Stop – Set Up Prior to Students Arrival: A. Set up a Social Distance mark for students to line up When Bus Arrives Supplies for Bus Driver to Prepare: Hand Sanitizer "No-Touch" - Thermometer Extra Face Coverings/Masks A. Students sanitize their hands as they board the bus B. Provides a face covering if student doesn't have one Buses 1. Determine maximum capacity for students of each vehicle while meeting 6-foot physical distancing objectives.
Transporting Students	Establish protocols for bus stops, loading/unloading students to minimize congregation of children from different households	Create a plan for seating based on maximum capacity determined above, 3. Develop a plan for bus routes that accommodates the capacity limitations. Mark or block seats that must be left vacant. Sample seating options: Option 1: Seat one student to a bench on both sides of the bus, skipping every other row to the extent practicable. Option 2: Seat one student to a bench, alternating rows on each side to create a zigzag pattern on the bus.
	-	Instruct students and parents to maintain 6-foot distancing at bus stops and while loading and unloading to the extent practicable. *Seat students from the rear of the bus forward to prevent students from walking past each other. To prevent students from walking past one another, afternoon runs should be boarded based on the order in which students will be dropped off. (Students who get off first should board last and sit in the front.) Students and staff should wear face coverings at bus stops and on buses.

	CDC Guidance Minimal/Moderate Spread PHASE 2 – RECOMMENDATIONS	SFUSD Schools Cleaning & Disinfecting
	DETERMINE WHAT NEEDS TO BE CLEANED. Areas unoccupied	Cleaning • Conduct deep cleaning of schools prior to students/staff
Practicing	for 7 or more days need only routine cleaning. Maintain existing cleaning practices for outdoor areas.	returning; schedule additional cleanings during weekends and/or school holidays/breaks
Prevention	DETERMINE HOW AREAS WILL BE DISINFECTED Consider the type of surface and how often the surface is touched. Prioritize disinfecting frequently touched surfaces.	Daily Cleaning (Daily Disinfecting of Schools)
	CONSIDER THE RESOURCES AND EQUIPMENT NEEDED. Keep in	 Clean/disinfect frequently touched surfaces at least daily and shared objects after each use
	mind the availability of cleaning products and personal protective equipment (PPE) appropriate for cleaners and disinfectants.	 Ensure ventilation systems operate properly and increase circulation of outdoor air as much as possible, as long as this does not pose a safety or health risk to students or
Cleaning	CLEAN VISIBLY DIRTY SURFACES WITH SOAP AND WATER PRIOR TO DISINFECTION. USE THE APPROPRIATE CLEANING	staff
and	OR DISINFECTANT PRODUCT. Use an EPA-approved	Our daily cleaning includes:
Disinfecting	disinfectant against COVID-19, and read the label to make sure it meets your needs.	Desks and tables
	ALWAYS FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS ON THE LABEL. The label	• Chairs
	will include safety information and application instructions. Keep disinfectants out of the reach of children.	Seats on buses
ODC	CONTINUE ROUTINE CLEANING AND DISINFECTION. Continue or revise your plan based upon appropriate disinfectant and	 Keyboards, phones, headsets, copy machines, etc.
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION	PPE availability. Dirty surfaces should be cleaned with soap and water prior to disinfection. Routinely disinfect frequently touched surfaces at least daily.	 In accordance with CDC guidance, avoid sharing of electronic devices, toys, books, and other games or learning aids.
	MAINTAIN SAFE PRACTICES such as frequent hand washing, using cloth face coverings, and staying home if you are sick.	 Limit stuffed animals and any other toys that are difficult to clean and sanitize. Follow Reopening Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfecting Schools







Framework for K-12 Schools in California, 2020-2021 School Year COVID-19 and Reopening In-Person Learning July 17, 2020

Overview

emerge regularly. Recommendations regarding in-person school reopening and and how to implement in-person instruction for the 2020-2021 school year. New and the effectiveness of disease control and mitigation strategies continues to evidence and data about COVID-19 transmission, including variations by age, California schools have been closed for in-person instruction since mid-March transmission of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. CDPH developed the following framework to support school communities as they decide when 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. School closures to in-person instruction closure should be based on the available evidence as well state and local were part of a broader set of recommendations intended to reduce disease trends.

The CA $\underline{\text{School Sector Specific Guidelines}}_L$ and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention $\underline{\text{CDC}}$ have published additional guidance on school re-entry.

In-Person Re-Opening Criteria

Schools and school districts may reopen for in-person instruction at any time if they are located in a local health jurisdiction (LHJ) that has <u>not</u> been on the county¹ monitoring list within the prior 14 days. If the LHJ has been on the monitoring list within the last 14 days, the school must conduct distance learning only, until their LHJ has been off the monitoring list for at least 14 days.²

Local health officers ² A waiver of this criteria may be granted by the local health officer for elementary must review local community epidemiological data, consider other public health requested by the superintendent (or equivalent for charter or private schools), in schools to open for in-person instruction. A waiver may only be granted if one is nterventions, and consult with CDPH when considering a waiver request. consultation with labor, parent and community organizations.



¹ School districts in LHJs that are cities are considered to be included as part of the county if the county is on the monitoring list.





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Guidance Once Re-Opened to In-Person Instruction

How should schools think about testing?

recommended that surveillance testing be implemented based on the local community transmission, schools should increase testing of staff to detect disease trends. If epidemiological data indicates concern for increasing Once schools are re-opened to at least some in-person instruction, it is potential cases <u>as lab testing capacity allows.</u>

Who should be tested and how often?

practicable. Examples of recommended frequency include testing all staff over 2 months, where 25% of staff are tested every 2 weeks, or 50% every month to employee that may have contact with students or other staff. School districts and schools shall test staff periodically, as testing capacity permits and as professionals, cafeteria workers, janitors, bus drivers, or any other school School staff are essential workers, and staff includes teachers, pararotate testing of all staff over time. What if a school or school district reopens to in-person instruction, but the county is later placed on the county monitoring list?

Schools should begin testing staff, or increase frequency of staff testing but are not required to close.







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What measures should be taken when a student, teacher or staff member has symptoms, is a contact of someone infected, or is diagnosed with COVID-19?

	Student or Staff with:		
,	COVID 10 States	ACION	Communication
:	COVID-19 symptoms	• send home	No Action
	(e.g., rever, cough,	 Recommend testing (If positive, see #3, if 	needed
	loss of tdste or smell,	negative, see #4)	
	amicuity breathing)	School/classroom remain open	
	Symptom Screening:		
	Per CA School Sector		
	Specific Guidelines		e.
7	Close contact (†) with	• Send home	• Consider school
	a confirmed COVID-	 Quarantine for 14 days from last exposure 	community
	19 case	 Recommend testing (but will not shorten 14- 	notification of a
		day quarantine)	known contact
		 School/classroom remain open 	
m i	Confirmed COVID-19	 Notify the local public health department 	• School
	case infection	 Isolate case and exclude from school for 10 	community
		days from symptom onset or test date	notification of a
		 Identify contacts (†), quarantine & exclude 	known case
		exposed contacts (likely entire cohort (++)) for	
		14 days after the last date the case was	
		present at school while infectious	
	-	 Recommend testing of contacts, prioritize 	
		symptomatic contacts (but will not shorten 14-	
	ī	day quarantine)	
		 Disinfection and cleaning of classroom and 	
		primary spaces where case spent significant	
		time	
		 School remains open 	
4.	Tests negative after	 May return to school 3 days after symptoms 	 Consider school
	symptoms	resolve	community
		 School/classroom remain open 	notification if prior
			awareness of
			testing







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have met this criterion and an entire cohort, classroom, or other group may need to be considered exposed, particularly if people have spent time together (†) A contact is defined as a person who is <6 feet from a case for >15 minutes. In some school situations, it may be difficult to determine whether individuals

(††) A cohort is a stable group with fixed membership that stays together for all courses and activities (e.g., lunch, recess, etc.) and avoids contact with other persons or cohorts.

Guidance on School Closure

What are the criteria for closing a school?

are cases within a 14-day period, depending on the size and physical layout of school or when at least 5 percent of the total number of teachers/student/staff Individual school closure is recommended based on the number of cases, the percentage of the teacher/students/staff that are positive for COVID-19, and following consultation with the Local Health Officer. Individual school closure may be appropriate when there are multiple cases in multiple cohorts at a

other reasons, including results from public health investigation or other local The Local Health Officer may also determine school closure is warranted for epidemiological data.

If a school is closed for in-person learning, when may it reopen?

Schools may typically reopen after 14 days and the following have occurred:

- Cleaning and disinfection
 - Public health investigation
- Consultation with the local public health department

What are the criteria for closing a school district?







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district have closed due to COVID-19 within 14 days, and in consultation with the A superintendent should close a school district if 25% or more of schools in a local public health department.

lf a school district is closed, when may it reopen?

Districts may typically reopen after 14 days, in consultation with the local public health department.

State Resources for Case, Contact & Outbreak Investigations

and other technical assistance regarding school case, contact, and outbreak California is committed to supporting local health departments with resources investigations.