

COVID-19 Prevention Strategies for the 2020-2021 School Year

Masks/Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)



- Masks required for employees
- Masks strongly encouraged for students at school and expected for those riding a school bus *
- Additional PPE in clinics and when serving medically fragile students



Enhanced Cleaning

- Improved routine cleaning and disinfecting of facilities by custodians
- Safe and effective cleaner provided to all teachers, school staff, and central office employees to use on high-touch surfaces and personal work areas



Wellness and Hygiene

- Hand sanitizing stations installed in school hallways
- Hand-washing and sanitizing encouraged throughout the day
- Paper towel dispensers installed in bathrooms
- Restricted use of water fountains/ encouraged use of water bottles

Bus Safety



- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for bus drivers, including masks and face shields
- Assigned student seating to improve loading and unloading *
- Safe and effective cleaner provided for high-touch surfaces after each run
- Buses to be disinfected after routes
- Sanitizing station to be affixed to the bus frame
- Student masks expected since social distancing cannot be achieved on school buses *
- Parents may choose to transport their child(ren) *

Physical Barriers

- Physical partitions placed in select locations, such as front desk, media center, etc.
- Isolation room and school clinic partitions



School Logistics



- Assemblies limited to smaller groups of students with information broadcast live for students in classrooms *
- Space out desks and tables in classrooms to improve social distancing *
- Stagger class changes *
- Limit distribution of school lockers *
- "Mask Down Zones" in classrooms where face coverings can safely, but temporarily, be removed for a brief break
- Building visitors will be limited



Health Services

- All persons who are sick are expected to stay at home
- Those who become sick at school or work will be sent home immediately
- Anyone reporting to the clinic will have their temperature taken
- All schools will have a room to isolate symptomatic persons

Public Health Signage

- CDC-designed signage displayed prominently throughout buildings to reinforce healthy hygiene and expected school and workplace behaviors
- Health information posted on how to prevent the spread of COVID-19
- "Stay at Home If Sick" notices
- Messages also in Spanish as needed



Student Meals

- Parents are expected to pay for meals online *
- Some students will eat in their classrooms using a grab-and-go model *
- Students eating in the cafeteria will be seated in a manner that supports social distancing *
- Pre-order meals will be available (via parent pick-up) for digital and remote learners as well as students who are quarantined

