

Phase 2 Safety Procedures *For Parents* San Diego Unified School District

General Safety Procedures

- The District will comply with the guidelines and regulations from the Centers for Disease Control, the California Department of Public Health, the California Department of Education, Cal/OSHA, and with final guidance by the San Diego County Department of Public Health.

Protocol for Monitoring COVID-19 Symptoms and Positive Cases

- COVID-19 symptom screenings are required daily for all staff and students. Students who have any possible COVID-19-related symptoms should not come to school.
- Students and staff who do not pass symptom screening or who become symptomatic during the day will be sent home immediately. Such students and staff will wait in a separate go-home area pending travel home.
- District Monitoring Program - Any student or staff who goes home with or reports COVID-19 like symptoms, has tested positive for COVID-19, or has been identified as a close contact will be documented in the COVID-19 Confidential Illness Log to monitor students and staff who are home in isolation or quarantine.
- For students, School Health Office staff will give appropriate guidance on when to return to school based on the most current and up-to-date “ San Diego County Office of Education Decision Tree” and provide a written communication indicating when the student may return based on current guidance from state and local departments of public health.
- Notice for general exposure shall include anyone within a classroom, stable groups, or other congregate settings.

COVID Hygiene

- The District shall comply with the COVID-19 hygiene, distancing, and masking standards mandated by the State and County Department of Public Health Directives.
- **Physical Distancing** - Staff and students in shared work or school spaces (other than classrooms) will allow for 5-6 feet of distancing.
- **Classrooms** - At a minimum, classrooms will follow CDPH guidelines for classroom configurations. To the extent possible, classroom configurations will maximize the classroom space to allow for students opting to return to onsite instruction.

Face Masks

- All adults and students must wear face masks over both their nose and mouth at all times on campus. A face mask should only be removed for meals, snacks, when it needs to be replaced, or other outdoor mask breaks.
- Schools shall make every effort to arrange for meals to be consumed outdoors, weather permitting.
- There may be circumstances where a student with a disability may need a mask accommodation in order to participate onsite. The goal of this process is to ensure that the unique needs of students are considered as accommodations are identified and determined. Sites will engage in the reasonable accommodation process. Where indicated, utilization of outdoor spaces and/or additional PPE may be provided to unit members.

Handwashing

- Adequately supplied hand washing stations or hand sanitizer is available and easily accessible in all areas frequented by staff and students.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- All schools will have an adequate supply of Personal Protective Equipment. Schools will receive routine deliveries of supplies, and on-demand as requested.
- Teacher stations will be at least 6 feet from the closest student. Protective barriers may be used at a teacher's workstation where six (6) feet distance is impractical including but not limited to, viewing students work.

Shared Equipment and Supplies

- Staff shall wipe clean any high touch surfaces on shared supplies and equipment, after their use.

Ventilation

- The District will follow current guidance, ensuring ventilation systems operate properly and increase outdoor air circulation as much as possible. All District classrooms and workspaces shall use any combination of mechanical ventilation, natural ventilation, and HEPA air purifiers, as the individual room characteristics dictate, to provide adequate air exchanges with the goal of achieving a minimum of five (5) per hour. The District shall ensure all HVAC systems operate on the mode which delivers the most frequent air exchanges per hour, including disabling demand-controlled ventilation, and open outdoor air dampers to the maximum extent as indoor and outdoor conditions safely

permit. Air filters shall be MERV-13 where systems can accommodate, and changed at the recommended intervals. Portables and/or other rooms without HVAC or means of natural ventilation shall be equipped with low noise HEPA air filters with a large enough capacity and flow rate for the square footage of the room. The District shall actively monitor the particulate matter and/or carbon dioxide within school sites and central office facilities.

- All areas used as the go-home area of individuals presenting COVID-19 symptoms, if indoors, shall be equipped with adequate ventilation with the use of minimal recirculated air. MERV-13 air filters and/or HEPA filters shall be utilized. The District shall make every effort to utilize unassigned rooms that meet the highest minimum standards for ventilation and air circulation when used as a go-home area.
- Classrooms not served by a MERV-13 equipped HVAC unit shall be provided two (2) air purifiers.
- Classrooms without HVAC shall be provided three (3) air purifiers.
- Every workspace not served by a MERV-13 equipped HVAC unit, with more than one (1) person shall be provided air purifiers.

Cleaning and Disinfecting Plans

- In compliance with regulations, guidance, and recommendations from the CDC, CDPH, Cal/OSHA, the District shall adopt cleaning and disinfecting plans and training programs to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The cleaning and disinfecting plans shall adhere to CDPH cleaning and disinfecting guidance in the "COVID-19 and Reopening In-Person Instruction Framework & Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools in California, 2020-2021 School Year".

COVID-19 Testing

- A District COVID-19 testing program will be available free of charge for all students who choose to participate. The District shall strongly encourage participation in the testing program including but not limited to providing educational materials and enrollment forms to all families participating in onsite instruction.
- Free COVID-19 testing will be available at each school site one day every two weeks. Parents must register for the testing program and schedule an appointment if they want their child to be tested.

Visitors

- To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, no visitors will be permitted on the school site unless they are considered an essential visitor.