

# COVID-19 Response Plan

School Year 2021/22



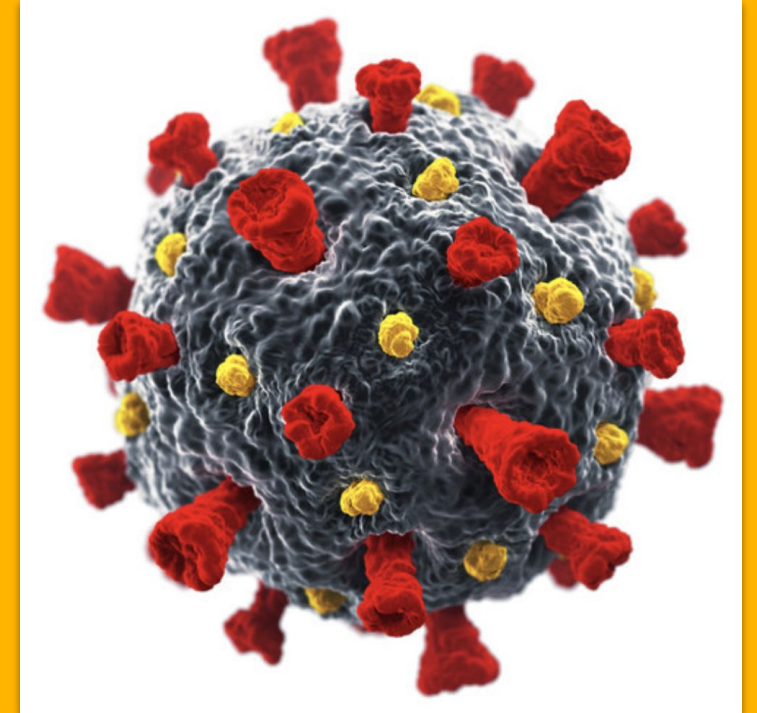
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# Overview

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# California Dep of Education / Public Health Guidance: Priority for Full In-Person Learning

## California Department of Public Health Guidance for K-12 schools

- Aligns with the CDC's national K-12 schools guidance, and American Academy of Pediatrics
- Priority for full in-person learning, to support education, mental, emotional, and social development
- Layered approach: Vaccines, masks, ventilation, hand hygiene, stay home when sick, COVID19 testing. Transparency.
- Universal K-12 mask requirements
  - Indoors – required. All students; all adults when indoors with students.
  - Outdoors- optional.

### Summary of Major Guidance Changes

- Masking **indoors for all** when students/public present
  - Guidance reassessed on an ongoing basis; any decision to update by 11/1
  - Masks *optional* outdoors for all in K-12 settings
- Close contact definition has changed to >15 minutes over 24 hours within 0 to 6 feet **indoors**
- Alternative quarantine options in some cases for children/youth, but **adults still quarantine for full 10 days**
- Disinfect spaces occupied by a person sick within the last **24h**
- Increased focus on testing; resources for testing





# General Safety Measures

- Everybody on campus wears **masks** except for eating and drinking
- Students and staff continue to **wash or sanitize their hands** before entering and exiting a room
- No cohorts but **divisions are separated** as much as possible
- Students are instructed **not to touch each other** but no special distancing is enforced
- **Ventilation** in the classroom is a priority
- Families sign an **honor code** to check symptoms and keep students with symptoms at home



# On Campus: Indoors

- Mask requirement at all times
- No eating and drinking allowed anywhere indoors (including teacher's lounge)
- Ventilation as much as possible (windows and doors open, ventilator on)
- No mandated distancing but students should keep distance as much as possible
- Teachers should continue to avoid close contact



# On Campus: Outdoors

- General mask requirement
- Eating and drinking: distancing required for all people on campus (six feet)
- Drinking fountains stay closed
- Water bottles can be refilled in the classroom or the water fill station outside the library



# Snack & Recess

- Every division stays in their area
- No games/activities allowed where students touch each other
- No sharing of food or drinks





# Parents/Visitors on Campus



- Only staff and students are allowed on campus (exceptions apply)
- Library will be open for 10 visitors at a time.
- Parent room opening is pending

# Pick-up/Drop-off

- Preschool/Kindergarten-parents drop off and pick up at the classrooms
- 1st-4th graders at the front gate. Teachers will pick up and bring students to gate
- 5th graders and older can go independently to and from the classroom



# Symptoms Check

At home and at school



- All families sign an honor code that they will check for symptoms before school and keep their students home
- Teachers will monitor symptoms and are instructed to send children to the office (isolation room and home) if they display symptoms of COVID-19

## Doctor's Notes

### Summary

- No note needed if negative test.
- Cases for doctor's notes:
  1. Student has symptoms that the parent would have contacted the doctor for prior to the pandemic. Doctors provide an alternate explanation for the symptoms.
  2. Student has a chronic health condition. Doctor provides detailed information that will cover the school year.

# COVID Testing

- Periodic COVID testing will be required for staff and students, regardless of vaccination status
- Negative COVID test required for first day of class
- Negative COVID test required for first day of class after winter break and spring break
- All tests from a provider with a certified result will be accepted. Home tests are not accepted. (Antigen/PCR/Rapid Test)
- Date of test may not be older than one week before class date

# Covid Exposure

- Report positive COVID tests to [smalone@gissv.org](mailto:smalone@gissv.org)
- Families will be contacted if a positive COVID test is reported within their Saturday School class
- Families will follow current local guidelines for quarantine and testing before returning to Saturday School
- Families will confirm a negative COVID test before returning to Saturday School classes
- Individual instructors will arrange online classes when possible

The importance of everyone's diligence in following COVID safety measures cannot be overstated. Please stay home if you are displaying symptoms or not feeling well.

Please contact your teacher or Susan Malone if you have questions.  
[smalone@gissv.org](mailto:smalone@gissv.org)

We're looking forward to another year of learning together.

*Wir freuen uns auf Euch!*

# AQI-Air Quality Impact

## It's Wildfire Season

- AQI at 100+: Students can stay inside during recess; running during recess is discouraged
- AQI at 150+: If measured at 7:30am: campus closed for the day and distance learning takes place

**High AQI might happen with wildfires increasing in the late summer.**

**Measures against COVID-19 and high AQI are mutually exclusive!**





# What if... Distance Learning

- Classes will go online if any of these conditions are met:
  - Schools in the Mountain View Whisman school district close for in person classes
  - Several school districts in the area close for in person classes
  - AQI is 150+ at 7:30 am
- Teachers will share information about how to log on to class.
- If a student is sick, they should stay home.
- If a student must quarantine/stay home from their regular school/work, they should not attend Saturday School.
- Please contact your teacher if you must stay home. In the case of several students being at home, teachers may offer an online option for that day. That will be teacher's preference.
- Teachers will provide work to students who miss class for any reason

