

Reopening Protocols for K-12 Schools: Appendix T1

Recent Updates – (Changes highlighted in yellow)

2/18/21:

- Describes permitted indoor student activities when adjusted daily COVID-19 case rate is less than 25 per 100,000 population to include full grade in-person instruction for all students in grades TK-6.

2/11/21:

- Updated school reopening threshold to align with [State Consolidated Framework and Guidance](#).
- Clarified that schools should continue to offer distance learning alternatives to students who prefer it.
- Revised maximum size of small, stable cohorts to 14 students and two supervising adults.
- Included content regarding use of substitute teachers and “floaters” in small, stable cohorts and clarified that supervising adults may be assigned to work with no more than two different cohorts.
- Students returning for full-grade in person instruction for grades TK-2 in schools with an approved waiver must be assigned to stable groups but are not limited to 14 students maximum. Maximum number of students in stable group depends on maintaining proper physical distancing between students and staff within the available instructional space.
- Provided updated link for on-line reporting of COVID-19 cases and clusters to DPH.
- Provided new guidance on COVID-19 testing and information on available state resources.
- Clarified that minimum 6 feet of physical distance between all students and staff remains the strong recommendation, and appropriate physical barriers should be used where 6 feet of distancing is not possible, but under no circumstances should distance between student seating be less than 4 feet.
- Permits campus tours for prospective students under strict limitations.

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health is adopting a staged approach, supported by science and public health expertise, to enable schools serving students from kindergarten through grade 12 to reopen safely. In addition to the conditions imposed on schools by the State Public Health Officer and the California Department of Education, schools must also be in compliance with these employee and student safety and infection control protocols.

Please note: This document may be updated as new information and resources become available. Go to <http://www.ph.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/> for updates to this document.

This document starts with a discussion of current provisions for on-campus education in Los Angeles County, followed by information about safety strategies specific to the school environment.

The TK-12 reopening checklist starts on page 4, and provides safety measures in five areas:

- (1) Workplace policies and practices to protect employee and student health
- (2) Measures to ensure physical distancing
- (3) Measures to ensure infection control