



# COVID-19

## Health & Safety Protocols

School Year 2021-2022

### MASKS

As per the Hidalgo Health Authority, WISD is requiring that all students, staff and visitors wear masks while indoors at all WISD facilities.

### TEMPERATURE SCREENING

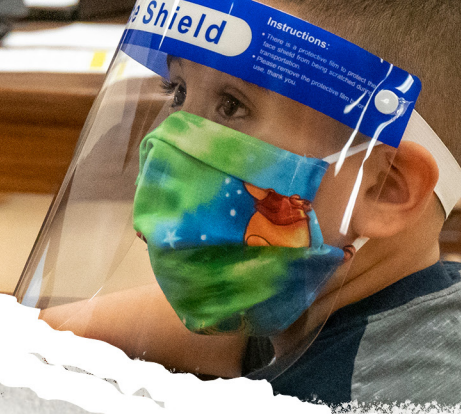
The District will not conduct temperature screenings on asymptomatic students.

### QUARANTINE

Anyone who is unvaccinated and has had contact with someone that has tested positive will be required to quarantine for 5-10 days. Vaccinated individuals will not need to quarantine if they come in close contact with someone who tests positive.

### SICK INDIVIDUALS

If you or your child are feeling sick, regardless of whether you're vaccinated or not, please stay home and contact your physician and campus as soon as possible. Anyone who is sick will need to be isolated at home for 10 days. Those who show symptoms can return early if they receive a doctor's note stating they do not have COVID-19 or receive a negative result from a PCR test. Rapid antigen testing for COVID-19 screening will still be available in campus health rooms at the start of the school year.



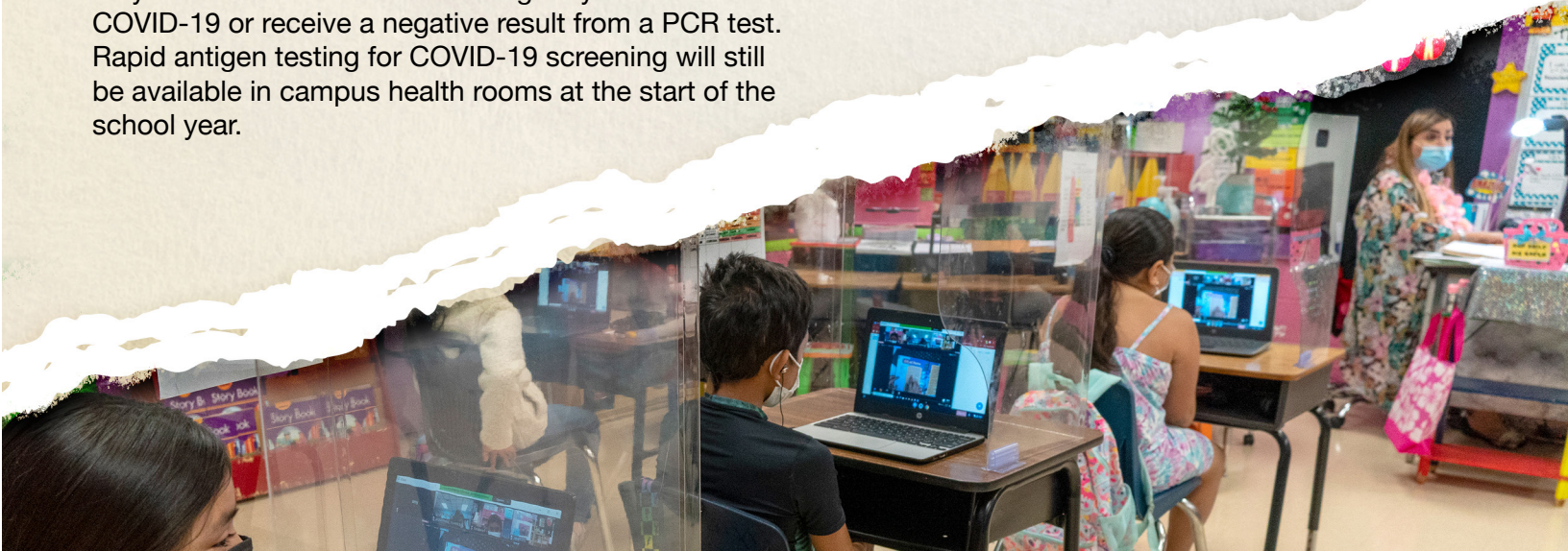
Please note that these are preliminary guidelines. The District will continue to adjust protocols and update our Continuity of Service Plan upon receipt of new governmental guidelines from the Texas Education Agency and/or local health authorities.

### COVID-19 SCREENING RAPID TESTING

COVID-19 screening rapid antigen testing will still be available in campus health rooms at the start of the school year for those needing it. Testing is not a requirement. Please contact your school nurse for more information.

### COVID-19 VACCINES

Getting a COVID-19 vaccine helps to lower your chances of getting COVID-19, spreading it to others, and ending up in the hospital. The district is partnering with local organizations to provide COVID-19 vaccine opportunities to students, staff, families, and the community. Getting the COVID-19 vaccine is not required, but strongly encouraged. **Our vaccine clinic opportunities are available online.**





## CAFETERIA

All students will go back to eating breakfast and lunch in the cafeteria, unless your school was a Breakfast in the Classroom campus pre-pandemic. There will be assigned seating, where applicable, and students will follow social distancing as space permits. Hand washing or using hand sanitizer will be required before going through the food line and eating areas will be cleaned between students.

## CLEANING

WISD will follow the **CDC's recommended cleaning guidelines for schools**. Staff will clean and disinfect highly touched surfaces and areas frequently, and will do so immediately if a sick individual has been in the room.

## CLASSROOMS

Frequent cleaning will take place. There will be assigned seating, where applicable, to assist with contact tracing. Per CDC guidelines, physical distancing of 3 feet or more will take place when feasible. Desk shields will be placed in classrooms and across campuses. In addition, we will be providing a HEPA air filtration system within each classroom.

## BUSES

Buses will go back to operating at full capacity. Hand sanitizer will be readily available, students in the same household will sit together, and daily cleaning will continue. We will continue to encourage students to wear masks while on the bus. All buses will be equipped with UV Purifier Air Sterilization Systems filters by the start of the new school year.

