



Learning Plan 2021-22 Revised 9/2/21; 10/26/21; 11/16/21; 12/21; 1/25; 4/26

One item that our entire CA community can agree on is being on campus with students and to lessen time spent at home due to quarantine. The state has given school districts parameters in which to keep students in school with minimal disruptions. Of course, if a scholar does contract COVID, they will need to stay home until they are feeling better and no longer contagious.

2021/2022 Learning Options: Families may enroll in one of two schools for the school year. Each school provides Core Knowledge Curriculum and Character Development.

- **Cologne Academy:** in-person learning five days per week.
- **Cologne Academy Online:** virtual learning five days per week.

Face Coverings

- Cloth face coverings or masks are recommended but not required for all persons including students and staff indoors during the school day.
- ~~Federal rules require masks on public transportation therefore masks are required on the school bus.~~⁵
- Masks will be optional during extracurricular activities, such as sports teams, etc. Cologne Academy teams will follow the mask mandate or rules of a host school or school district.²

Physical Distancing

- Cologne Academy will endeavor to maintain at least three feet of physical distancing among students where possible and when feasible while inside the school building.
- There will be no minimum distance requirement.

Visitors in Buildings

- With the exception of volunteer lunch servers, visitors during the school day will be limited.
- Visitors are welcome at PAVE meetings, Board meetings, all school assemblies⁵, and pre-arranged meetings with staff. Other visiting opportunities will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.
- The school board will continue to evaluate this throughout the school year.

Stay Home When Sick

- Students, teachers, and staff should stay home when they have signs of any infectious illness and be referred to their healthcare provider for testing and care.
- Students or staff who become ill with a fever or with 2 or more COVID-like symptoms while in school will be sent home until symptoms subside.
- Quarantined students will receive instruction similar to other long-term absences and follow student absentee protocols.

People who test positive for COVID-19

- Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 will stay home until these are true:
 - They feel better. Their cough, shortness of breath, or other symptoms are better; **AND**,
 - They have had no fever for at least 24 hours without using medicine that lowers fever; **AND**,
 - It has been at least 5 days since the onset of symptoms or test date. After 5 days individuals may return to school and mask for an additional 5 calendar days.⁴ OR
 - A rapid test is negative⁴

Students and Staff will stay home when

- Anyone who has one “more common**” symptom or two or more “less common**” can return if no other symptoms remain 24 hours after symptoms improve.
- Students and staff do not have to stay home if someone in their household has COVID when³:
 - Student/staff are fully vaccinated against COVID; or
 - Had documented COVID in last 90 days; or
 - Has an antibody test that shows COVID 19 antibodies-this test is good for 90 days.
- Staff may continue to work with daily testing for 5 days and wearing a mask while at work for those 5 days.⁴

Who will be notified?

- Cologne Academy will send a notification of each new positive COVID case to classrooms K-2 and grade level 3-8.
- The entire school will be notified if the infection rate in the building reaches 5% or higher within 2 weeks.

Vaccines

- Vaccines are strongly recommended for all eligible people but not required for district staff or students.

Other Mitigation Strategies

- Classrooms will continue to encourage hand washing and respiratory etiquette to minimize the spread of any infectious illness.
- The deep cleaning protocols, increased ventilation, and air filtration system used in buildings last year remain in place.

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*More common symptoms are one or more of these: fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher; new cough or a cough that gets worse; difficulty/hard time breathing; and new loss of taste or smell.

**Less common symptoms are two or more of these: sore throat; nausea; vomiting; diarrhea; chills; muscle pain; extreme fatigue/feeling very tired; new severe/very bad headache; and new nasal congestion/stuffy or runny nose.