

Cleveland ISD: COVID-19 Guidance

[2022-2023]

The purpose of this document is to provide COVID-19 guidance regarding quarantine and contact tracing for the 2022-2023 school year. As we gather new information and receive new guidance from state, local, and federal agencies, it is subject to change.

Throughout this document the term *individual(s)* is used. This includes faculty, staff, visitors, and students.

Topic	Guidance
Positive Cases	<p>Positive individuals MUST be excluded from school or work settings</p> <p>Cleveland ISD must notify the local health department of test confirmed positive cases [Watts]</p> <p>Cases will be reported weekly to TEA [Watts]</p>
Reporting Positive Cases	<p>COVID Coordinators report on the Google Forms linked below. Employees do not enter their own information.</p> <p>Use this form for the <i>initial report</i>.</p> <p>Student COVID Reporting</p> <p>Employee Reporting</p> <p>Use this form to upload results if you did not have them when making the initial report.</p> <p>Student Out of District Results</p> <p>Employee Test Results</p> <p>Auxiliary Employees: Employees who work for these departments will be reported by their direct supervisor, not the campus. Should the employee be tested and confirmed positive for COVID on their assigned campus, the nurse will contact the appropriate COVID Liaison.</p>

	<p>Home Tests We will accept home tests. Individuals need to include their name and the date of the test when taking a picture of their results to upload.</p>
Awaiting Test Results	Employees and Students awaiting test results should remain home to avoid the possible infection of others.
Letters to Families	<p>Letters will be provided on the campus webpage. It only includes test confirmed positive cases of employees and students. This is updated everyday at 3:00 pm.</p> <p>Letters [updated] will be provided specifically to elementary students. Families will be notified when an individual's (teachers, student, instructional para) test is confirmed positive in a specific grade level.</p> <p>Letters need to be sent home for extra-curricular activities, such as cheer, athletics, band, etc.</p>
Masks/Face Coverings	Masks/Face Coverings are optional for both students and faculty and staff. They cannot be mandated per Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-38; however, they can be highly encouraged. Masks are HIGHLY ENCOURAGE in our CLINICS while seeking services from the staff.
Close Contact	<p>NO contact tracing for students, faculty and staff</p> <p>Individuals who are considered close contacts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MAY CHOOSE to self-quarantine - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 5 day quarantine (Employees) ○ 5 day quarantine (Students) ○ Should the individual exhibit symptoms, test positive, or test negative while in quarantine for COVID-19, follow the Readmission Criteria below ● Letters should be provided to faculty and staff to support them in making their decision to quarantine ● Fully vaccinated individuals are NOT considered close contact ● Individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 within three months of the reported close contact case, are NOT considered close contact ● Unvaccinated or Not Up-to-Date - These individuals are considered close contacts, but may return to work/school. Employees will test on day 5 from their first day of exposure. This can be done in the clinic or Service Center. <p>Students can be required to stay home when a household member has tested positive for COVID-19 per new TEA Guidance, but it is a decision made by the district and not the individual school. CISD is strongly encouraging families to keep their students at home. Should they choose to send their student to school, remind families they should isolate themselves from those that are ill and contagious.</p>

	<p>Should the district become aware of an individual considered close contact through another public agency, the campus/department will notify the parents of the student or the individual faculty or staff member or campus visitor</p>
<p>Readmission Criteria</p>	<p>EMPLOYEES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If symptomatic, at least 5 days have passed since symptom onset. Individuals must be fever free, and other symptoms have improved. (Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever suppressing medications. Fever is a temperature of 100 or higher.) May return on Day 6 ● For those with no symptoms, at least 5 days after the day they tested positive. May return on Day 6 <p>STUDENTS:</p> <p>Symptomatic with No COVID-19 Test: 5 days since the onset of symptoms AND fever free for 24 hours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Should an individual test several days into their quarantine and test positive, their days begin with the date of the onset of their symptoms. ● If they did not test for COVID at the onset of symptoms, they may take a PCR test on day 5 or later. If it is negative, they may return to school. <p>Asymptomatic: 5 days since the positive test result</p> <p>Students who choose to self-quarantine may return earlier if they have a negative PCR result. See Close Contact.</p> <p>EMPLOYEES and STUDENTS:</p> <p>Releases from doctors for an early return are not being accepted at this time per TEA.</p>
<p>Student Suspected Cases</p>	<p>Students with suspected cases should remain home. They are considered symptomatic and must follow the TEA Exclusion Rule.</p> <p>Follow Readmission Criteria for return to school</p> <p>Students who are symptomatic may take a rapid test through CISD. A signed consent form is required for any student under the age of 18. Information regarding rapid testing can be found on the GenBody Rapid Testing Plan.</p>
<p>Employees</p>	<p>Encourage faculty and staff to self screen and not report to work should they exhibit symptoms</p>

	<p>Employees who are considered close contacts and continue to work MUST rapid test on day 5 following the initial encounter with a test confirmed individual. This can be done on your home campus or the Service Center, for non-campus employees. Information is on the CISD homepage under Staff Resources - Staff COVID-19 Resources. [Employees will need to schedule this with their campus rapid testing personnel.]</p> <p>Employees who are symptomatic may take a rapid test at their home campus or the Service Center.</p>
Mitigation	<p>PROMOTE vaccinations Cleveland ISD will continue to pursue vaccination clinic opportunities ENCOURAGE masks Promote good hygiene Instill thorough cleaning practices with all campus custodial staff</p>
PPE	<p>PPE can be ordered through Gerald Lee or Mr. S.B. Pierson Mr. S.B. Pierson stacy.pierson@clevelandisd.org</p> <p>Gerald Lee glee@clevelandisd.org 281.592.8717 Ext 1326</p>
Resources	<p>TEA Public Health Guidance CDC Guidance Department of State Health Services (DSHS)</p>
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