

# COVID-19 In-person meeting safeguards

Given the high concentration of positive cases in Harris County, and within Northwest Harris County, it is in the best interest of public health to put safeguards in place to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission during in-person Board meetings.

In order to keep staff, Trustees and members of the public safe, the following strategies will be put in place to mitigate the spread of COVID-19:

1. Face Covering Required
  - a) All those that wish to participate in the meeting in person must wear a face covering at all times. Masks will **not** be provided.
2. Reduction of Seating Capacity
  - a) In order to create socially distant seating, available seating will be reduced.
  - b) Availability to seats will be first come, first serve basis. Doors to the John P. Neubauer Administration Building will open at 5:00 pm.
3. Overflow and Live Viewing
  - a) If the number of community participants exceeds the reduced seating capacity then no additional members of the public will be allowed in the building.
  - b) If registered speakers are not able to secure a seat, they will still have an opportunity to speak but must exit the building after speaking.
  - c) In order to make the meeting public to members of the community, the meeting will be live streamed on Facebook Live through our District Facebook page for those interested in the discussion and decision making process of the School Board. As customary practice, the recorded Board meeting will be made available on the District website.

While the Tomball ISD Board prefers to meet face-to-face, these mitigating strategies are put in place to protect our school district community as we prepare for the start of the 2020-21 academic school year. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.