

COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS

As part of its due diligence for this FMP Update, DCA reviewed current California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and American Institute of Architects (AIA) school facilities guidance to ensure those recommendations are included in this FMP Update for all school sites.

Recommendations included in this FMP Update for all school sites are summarized below:

- Consideration should be given to both the direct school population as well as the surrounding community.
- Ventilation: provide 5 air changes per hour (ACH) to all indoor spaces by utilizing mechanical equipment, operable windows, and mobile air purifiers with HEPA filters; provide flushing of air daily prior to use of spaces
- Filtration of Air: provide MERV-13 filters on all mechanical equipment or the highest-rated filter the equipment can accept without reducing the equipment's effectiveness
- CO2 Sensors: provide CO2 sensors in all spaces
- Provide proper maintenance and filter replacement for all mechanical equipment
- Provide touchless sink faucets with hot water for hand washing
- Provide touchless bottle filler stations for drinking water
- Provide touchless flush valves, hand soap, paper towel dispensers, and hand dryers at restrooms
- Consider durable finishes that can be easily cleaned, such as sealed concrete floors in lieu of carpeting
- Increase use of outdoor spaces for learning and social activities
- Post signage on the exterior and throughout buildings describing implemented mitigation strategies and expectations of occupants, including PPE requirements, cleaning/disinfecting policies, behavioral reminders, and scheduling.

This FMP Update addresses COVID-19 facilities recommendations but not operational or programmatic considerations.