



Salinas City Elementary School District

Safe Return to School Plan July 2022

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Return to In-Person Plan

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State and Local Guidance

The State of California and the County of Monterey have provided the following documents containing guidance in the areas of required health and safety measures needed to safely provide In-person instruction to the students of Salinas City Elementary School District.

[CDPH Guidance July 2022](#)

[California Safe Schools for All Hub](#)

[The California SMARTER Plan](#)

Readiness and Preparedness

- Review updated health and safety precautions frequently and adjust plan accordingly

Mitigation Strategies

- Face coverings continue to be recommended
- Masks are available for staff and students at each school site
- Ventilation
 - Current systems (MERV) have been upgraded to its maximum capacity
 - Classrooms have been equipped with air purification (HEPA) units
 - Windows may remain open to provide cross ventilation
 - Bipolar ionization has been installed in the ventilation systems at all school sites
- Hand hygiene
 - Teach and reinforce washing hands with soap and water, avoiding contact with one's eyes, nose, and mouth, and covering coughs and sneezes among students and staff.
 - Develop routines enabling students and staff to regularly wash their hands at staggered intervals (before and after leaving the classroom, before and after meals, etc.)
 - Wash hands for 20 seconds with soap and water.
 - Students and staff should use fragrance-free hand sanitizer when hand washing is not practicable. Sanitizer must be rubbed into hands until completely dry. Note: frequent handwashing is more effective than the use of hand sanitizers.
- Symptom screening (See COVID Symptom Screener and COVID Communication Protocol below)
 - Staff and students will stay home when showing symptoms of COVID-19
 - Staff and students will be sent home if symptoms are present while at school or work

COVID Symptom SCREENER

Have you experienced any of the following symptoms in the last 48 hours?	YES	NO
New or Unexpected:		
Fever or chills		
New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (unusual coughing symptoms for those with chronic allergies/asthmatic cough)		
Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing		
Muscle or body aches		
New loss of taste or smell		
Sore throat		
Diarrhea or vomiting		

If they answered "YES" to any of the questions.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stay home 2. Testing for COVID-19 is recommended <p>If tested, may return when:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Negative test result received. AND 2. At least 24 hrs since resolution of fever without fever reducing medications. AND 3. Other symptoms have significantly improved. <p>If not tested, may return when:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At least 24 hours since resolution of fever without fever reducing medication AND 2. Other symptoms have improved AND 3. Either a health care provider documents symptoms are typical of an underlying chronic condition or an alternate diagnosis

Arriving on Campus

Each campus has defined their own entry and exit points.

Transportation

Transportation may be provided to students living in areas that require transportation to and from school.

- The bus will be cleaned and disinfected after students and personnel exit the bus (at the end of each run) using [Covid-19 Cleaning & Disinfecting Schools](#)



Suspected or Confirmed COVID-19 Case

SCESD COVID-19 COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL (REVISED 07.07.22)

Below are Salinas City Elementary School District's Protocols on the Onset of Symptoms, Potential Exposure to and/or Close Contact with an Individual Testing Positive for COVID-19 in a School/Classroom Setting. Protocol may change based on up to date information from County and State agencies.

For students, test results from a verified lab or clinic as well as at home testing will be considered for return to school after a report of a positive COVID case, exposure outside of the school setting or if the person is symptomatic. For staff, test results from a verified lab or clinic or district provided testing will be considered for return to work after a report of a positive COVID case, exposure to COVID or if the person is symptomatic.

SCENARIO 1	ACTION	COMMUNICATION
<p>Child or staff has symptoms of COVID-19 (based on student report and Health Staff observation)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Send home if at school 2. Recommend testing. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. If negative see Scenario 2 b. If positive see Scenario 3. <p>If tested, may return when:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Negative test result received. AND 2. At least 24 hrs since resolution of fever without fever reducing medications. AND 3. Other symptoms have significantly improved. <p>If not tested, may return when:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At least 24 hours since resolution of fever without fever reducing medication AND 2. Other symptoms have improved OR 1. Either a health care provider documents symptoms are typical of an underlying chronic condition or an alternate diagnosis <p><i>School/Classroom Remains Open</i></p>	<p>None needed</p>
<p>Symptomatic Child or Staff tests negative OR a healthcare provider has provided documentation that the symptoms are attributed to another disease or condition</p>	<p>Follow school protocol for other non-COVID-19 illness, as applicable.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At least 24 hrs since resolution of fever without fever reducing medications. AND 2. Other symptoms have significantly improved <p><i>School/Classroom Remains Open</i></p>	<p>None needed</p>

<p>SCENARIO 3</p> <p>Child or staff is confirmed positive with COVID-19</p>	<p>ACTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exclude from school/work, to isolate for 5 days <ul style="list-style-type: none"> from date of symptom onset OR if asymptomatic, from date specimen collected <p>May return after the 5th day, IF test Negative and is symptom free or symptoms have significantly Improved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff or Student who test negative and return to work earlier than 10 days after the close contact, should wear a face covering around others for 10 days following the close contact. <p>Staff or Student who tests positive on or after day 5, must continue to isolate for 5 more days (A TOTAL OF 10 DAYS). May return to school/work on day 11 from onset of symptoms or specimen collection.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCESD COVID Team (District) identify school close contacts. Disinfect spaces where the person with COVID-19 spent significant time. <p><i>School/Classroom Remains Open</i></p>	<p>COMMUNICATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Positive case calls the SCESD COVID Line: (831) 784-2205 to notify of COVID test results and receive guidance on next steps. Notification to persons who were in a shared indoor space for 15 minutes or more over a 24 hour period via Parent Square. District notifies Monterey County Health Dept.
<p>SCENARIO 4</p> <p>Child or Staff had close contact with someone who is confirmed positive with COVID-19,</p>	<p>ACTION</p> <p><u>Vaccinated OR Unvaccinated</u> IF <u>No Symptoms:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to attend school/work Should wear a well fitted mask inside around others for their next 10 days following the date of last exposure Undergo testing within 3-5 days after their last close contact with a positive case. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the test is positive, see Scenario 3. <p>Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exposed students or staff who had COVID-19 within the last 90 days do not need to be tested after exposure but should monitor for symptoms. If symptoms develop, see Scenario 1. Students unconsented in Primary Health will receive a "Take-home COVID Test Kit." <p><i>School/Classroom Remains Open</i></p>	<p>COMMUNICATION</p> <p>No additional messaging needed. Initial notification should have been sent when the case was identified.</p> <p>SCESD COVID Team (AMLLC) contacts parents of students who are unconsented in Primary Health with further instruction on "Take-home COVID Test Kit."</p>

Facilities and Operations

Facility Cleaning and Disinfecting

Cleaning and disinfecting of all SCESD facilities follow the CDC guidelines and are specified in the [District's Cleaning & Disinfecting Protocol](#).

Food Services

Meals will be provided at no cost to all students, including those attending the Salinas City Elementary School Virtual Academy.

Meals for Virtual Academy students can be picked up daily in the cafeteria at Kammann School from 9am to 10am. Parents are encouraged to call (831)753-5618 to order meals for their child so it will be ready upon pick up. For walk ups, parents may be asked to wait briefly for preparation. Provide the name of student upon arrival.