

# Denton ISD Planning and Guidance

Notice, Prevent, Respond, Mitigate



# NOTICE

Provide Notice: Parental and Public Notice

# Plan for On-Campus Activities & Instruction

- Denton ISD will post for parents and the general public, at least one week prior to the first day of instruction, a summary of our plan to mitigate COVID-19 spread in our schools.
- Members of the Denton ISD COVID Team are:
  - Dr. Jeff Russell
  - Dr. Lacey Rainey
  - Dr. Gwen Perkins
  - Susannah O'Bara
  - Paul Andress
- Who will be the campus COVID team members?



# PREVENT

Practices to Prevent the Virus from Entering the School

# Staff Screening

- Must self screen for symptom
  - Report to HR
  - Report to Campus
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- Who will they report to on our campus?

# Student Screening

- Must be screened prior to arrival at school.
- Report to any lab confirmed case to campus.
  - How will screening criteria be communicated?
  - How should a parent report a lab confirmed positive COVID case?

# Visitors Screening

- Must be screened prior to arrival at school.
- Should be allowed inside the campus, beyond reception areas, only for essential purposes.
- How will visitors be screened?

# Confirmed or suspected cases

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- Any student showing symptoms must immediately be separated.
- Areas used by the individual must be thorough cleaned.
  - Where will students be held in isolation while awaiting pick-up?
  - Where will remaining students be moved during cleaning stages?



# Confirmed or Suspected Cases

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- Any individuals who themselves either: (a) are lab-confirmed to have COVID-19; or
- (b) experience the symptoms of COVID-19 (listed below) must stay at home throughout the infection period, and cannot return to campus until the school system screens the individual to determine any of the below conditions for campus re-entry have been met:

In the case of an individual who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to school when all three of the following criteria are met:

- i. at least three days (72 hours) have passed since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications);
- ii. the individual has improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and
- iii. at least ten days have passed since symptoms first appeared



# RESPOND

Practices to Respond TO A Lab-Confirmed Case in the School

# Respond - Positive Case Identified

- If a staff member or student is diagnosed with COVID-19 notification will be distributed to all participants that were considered in close contact with that individual.
- Close contact is defined as:
  - being directly exposed to infectious secretions (e.g., being coughed on while not wearing a mask or face shield); or
  - being within 6 feet for a cumulative duration of 2 minutes, while not wearing a mask or face shield.
- Any space utilized by an individual with a positive test must be closed off and thoroughly cleaned prior to the return of any participants.
- If a student in a classroom has a lab confirmed case of COVID guidance for the return of students in close contact will be provided by Denton County Health Department.



# MITIGATE

Practices to Mitigate the Likelihood of COVID – 19 Spread Inside the School

# Teaching Health and Safety

- During the first days school students will be taught health and safety protocols!
  - Supervised Handwashing
  - Sanitizer Stations
  - Restrooms
  - Use of Water Bottles
  - Mask Wearing
- How will these practices be taught to all students in the same manner?

# Arrival

- Parents will complete screening prior to arrival (Principal will email families prior to August 24<sup>th</sup> the screening protocol)
- Students will arrive at 3 doors, Elementary, 3 doors, Middle and 5 doors High
- Each entrance will have posted screening criteria
- Students will enter wearing face covering
- Each student will use hand sanitizer upon arrival
- Students will report directly to first class
  - What entrances are best for arrival?
  - Who will supervise entrances?

# Classroom Arrangement

- Teacher will wear face shield while teaching at 6'+ distance. A face mask should be worn by teacher when unable to physical distance from others at least 6'.
- Students will wear masks in classrooms and during transitions.
- Students will be seated a minimum of 6 feet distance from each other.
- During any transition students should maintain proper physical distance from one another.





# Lunch

- Students will be seated at adequate physical distance.
- Custodial Staff will clean tables between each lunch session.



# Restrooms

- Students will wear masks when going to restrooms.
- Students will be expected to maintain physical distance from one another.

How will this expectation be taught to students on our campus?

# Dismissal

- Prior to dismissal, students will properly clean their work space.
- Students will wear masks during dismissal.
- Students will maintain physical distance during dismissal.