

COVID-19 Update for 2021-2022 School Year

As CCS enters the second half of the 2021-2022 school year, the health and safety of our all staff, teachers, students, and families remain a top priority. CCS will continue to monitor the impact of COVID-19 in our community and implement prevention as needed. CCS is committed to maintaining transparency and will continue communication protocols for reporting COVID-19 positive cases.

CDC Media Statement Monday, December 27, 2021

Given what we currently know about COVID-19 and the Omicron variant, CDC is shortening the recommended time for isolation for the public. People with COVID-19 should isolate for 5 days and if they are asymptomatic or their symptoms are resolving (without fever for 24 hours), follow that by 5 days of wearing a mask when around others to minimize the risk of infecting people they encounter. The change is motivated by science demonstrating that the majority of SARS-CoV-2 transmission occurs early in the course of illness, generally in the 1-2 days prior to onset of symptoms and the 2-3 days after.

CDC Updates for Isolation and Quarantine

If You Test Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)

Everyone, regardless of vaccination status.

- Stay home for 5 days.
- If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your house.
- Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.

If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves.

If You Were Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 (Quarantine)

If you:

Have been boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months

OR

If you:

Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of J&J over 2 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Are unvaccinated

Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months

- Wear a mask around others for 10 days.
- Test on day 5, if possible.

If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home.

- Stay home for 5 days. After that continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you can't quarantine you must wear a mask for 10 days.
- Test on day 5 if possible.

If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home

See the full article here: [CDC Updates for Isolation and Quarantine](#)

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CCS COVID-19 Policies

Facial Coverings/Masks

In May 2021, Gov. Abbott issued an Executive Order prohibiting governmental entities in Texas — including counties, cities, school districts, public health authorities, or government officials — from requiring or mandating mask-wearing. Under this Executive Order, no student, teacher, parent, or other staff member or visitor can be required to wear a mask while on campus.

CCS will continue to follow the direct orders from the Governor as it relates to masks in schools.

Prevention & Mitigation

COVID-19 cleaning practices that were implemented in August 2020 will continue, proper cleaning supplies and sanitizer will remain available for all staff, teachers, students, and visitors. CCS facilities will continue to undergo scheduled deep cleanings as well as disinfecting areas where a possible positive COVID-19 case was located.

Changes: Water fountains are now accessible, before, they were not. Masks will not be provided but are available for purchase in the school office.

CCS shall exclude from attendance any staff, teacher or student having or suspected of having COVID-19 (Tex. Admin. Code 97.7). Exclusion shall continue until the readmission criteria for the conditions are met.

Close Contact:

Steps for Determining Close Contact and Quarantine in K-12 Schools

Students in INDOOR CLASSROOMS and STRUCTURED OUTDOOR SETTINGS	Students in NON-CLASSROOM SETTINGS and adults in ALL SCHOOL SETTINGS
<p>If yes to all of the below, the student is a close contact, regardless of proper mask use. If no to any, move to the next column.</p> <p>LESS THAN 3 FEET</p>	<p>If yes to all of the below, the person is a close contact, regardless of proper mask use. If no to any, the person is not a close contact.</p> <p>LESS THAN 6 FEET</p>
<p>Was the student within 3 feet of another student diagnosed with COVID-19?</p>	<p>Was the student or adult within 6 feet of someone diagnosed with COVID-19?</p>
<p>Has the student been in the presence of a student with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period?</p>	<p>Has the person been in the presence of a person with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period?</p>
<p>If the answers to the questions above are both yes, the student is a close contact, regardless of proper mask use.</p>	<p>If the answers to the questions above are both yes, the person is a close contact, regardless of proper mask use.</p>

Use masks to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Due to the constantly changing conditions under which we are operating, which include health data and guidance from state and county authorities, guidelines, policies, protocols, and requirements are subject to change. Notifications and updates about COVID-19 can always be found on our website.

If your child receives a positive COVID-19 test, contact the school office.

CCS will continue contact tracing and will provide notification of all COVID-19 positive cases.

- If it is determined that a student was in close contact with a COVID-19 positive individual, the student's parents/guardians will be notified.

Please continue to keep our staff, teachers, students, and families in your prayers. We are believing for another safe and healthy school year! Thank you for your help in keeping our campus safe!

For more info:

[TEA Public-Health-Guidance](#)

[CDC Help and Info](#)