

Denton ISD

Return to School Guidance

Notice, Prevent, Respond, Mitigate

Recommendations from DCPH

- Delay face to face instruction until September 8th. The following exceptions may be necessary and should require continual use of facial covering and physical distancing:
 - on site virtual instructional activities by administrators, teachers, and staff, school sponsored events/activities such as UIL sports, bands, choirs, competitions and similar events conducted outdoors.
 - self-contained special education instruction may occur when necessary and in accordance with TEA guidelines.
- Schools should conduct virtual, remote or distance learning activities, in compliance with their approved start dates, prior to September 8th.
- School administrators, teachers and staff may return to school campuses to provide virtual learning, provide food distribution, and perform administrative duties.
- Schools should create, maintain and provide a safety protocol plan for resuming in person instruction on or after Tuesday, September 8th to school boards and disseminate the plan to parents and stakeholders two weeks prior to re-opening campuses, per ISD approved calendars.



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



PREVENT

Practices to Prevent the Virus from Entering the School

Priorities

- Wear face coverings.
- Maintain social(physical) distance.
- Practice good hygiene (hand washing, sanitizer, cover sneeze/cough, etc.)
- Avoid large gatherings.



Staff Screening

Must self screen for symptom

Alexander Health Screening Google Form

Marisol sending daily reminders for the time
being

- Self Report to HR
- Report to Campus

- Who will you report to on our campus?
- Nurse Zapata
- Lindsay, Tiffany, or Emily

Student Screening

- Must be screened prior to arrival at school.
- Entry Point Screenings:
 - Temp checks
 - Handsanitizer
 - Ensure students are wearing face mask properly
 - Grab-n-Go Breakfast

- Report to any lab confirmed case to campus.

- Parent contact Nurse- Marisol Zapata

School Nurse will notify Campus Administration

Parent is notified by the School Nurse of when the child can return to school for Face-to-Face instruction. Parent will follow medical professional directives.

Student will learn remotely.

Health Dept notified??

How will screening criteria be communicated?

School Administration will email parents

- How should a parent report a lab confirmed positive COVID case?
- Parents will report a lab confirmed positive COVID test to Nurse Zapata. Nurse Zapata will report to admin and classroom teacher.

Visitors Screening

- All visitors must be screened prior to entering school building.
- All visitors should be allowed inside the campus, beyond reception areas, only for essential purposes.

- Visitors must have an appointment to come into the Front Office

All visitors will complete Health Screening in Front Office

- Parents picking up a student early- child will be taken to the meet the parent at the front door by Office Staff Member
- Front Office Staff will cover for Clinic in the event that the Nurse is unavailable

Front Office Staff will be trained to cover for the Nurse in her absence.

- How will visitors be screened?

Front Office staff will be trained in screening visitors

Front Office staff will complete the Health Screening Form for each visitor, take temps, and forms will be kept for documentation purposes

Confirmed or suspected cases

- Any student showing symptoms must immediately be separated from other students and placed in the Nurse's office.
- Areas used by the individual must be thoroughly cleaned and students and staff will not be able to enter the area for 20-30 minutes after possible exposure.
- Staff and students will be moved to various locations throughout the building to continue their learning.
- Should connected learning be interrupted due to a student showing symptoms the classroom teacher will send out a Remind 101 informing parents.

Confirmed or Suspected Cases

- Any individuals who themselves either:
 - (a) are lab-confirmed to have COVID-19; or
 - (b) experience the symptoms of COVID-19

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:

- at least three days (72 hours) have passed since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications);
- the individual has improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and
- at least ten days have passed since symptoms first appeared
- Once the student has been cleared to return to school he/she should report to Nurse Zapata prior to entering their classroom to ensure the student is safe to return to campus.

Confirmed or Suspected Cases

1. If an employee notifies you that they might have or have COVID, please shut and lock that employee's door to ensure no one else enters their room until it has been thoroughly disinfected. As soon as you are notified, and after you shut and lock the employee's door, please email Ron Gross (Ron.Gross@sscserv.com) or Kelly Hilburn (khilburn@dentonisd.org) and CC: Paul Andress (pandress@dentonisd.org) and let them know the room number of the room(s) that need to be disinfected.



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 via email from administration.
- 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 for up to 20 minutes 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

Priorities

- Wear face coverings.
- Maintain social(physical) distance.
- Practice good hygiene (hand washing, sanitizer, cover sneeze/cough, etc.)
- Avoid large gatherings.

Teachers and campus staff will be training students on procedures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 inside the school.

PPE for Each Campus

- Face Shields
- Infrared Thermometers
- Gloves
- Desk Screen Guards
- Screening Signs for Entrances and Front Office
- Additional Signage: COVID Hero, Mask Required, & 3 Distance Dots for Front Office
- Hand Sanitizer
- Masks

[The above PPE will be delivered by the warehouse this week. Signs will be delivered by Publications]

August 20th PPE for Each Campus

- Gaiters for Non-Classroom Staff
- Stand-up, no-touch sanitizing station
- Sanitizing Wipes
- Student Desk Shields (Elementary)

[The above PPE will be delivered by the warehouse this week. Signs will be delivered by Publications]

Safety Signage

The district has provided signs with safety expectations.

Signage will predominantly be for the campus main entry.

Additional signage will be placed throughout the campus to ensure staff/student safety.

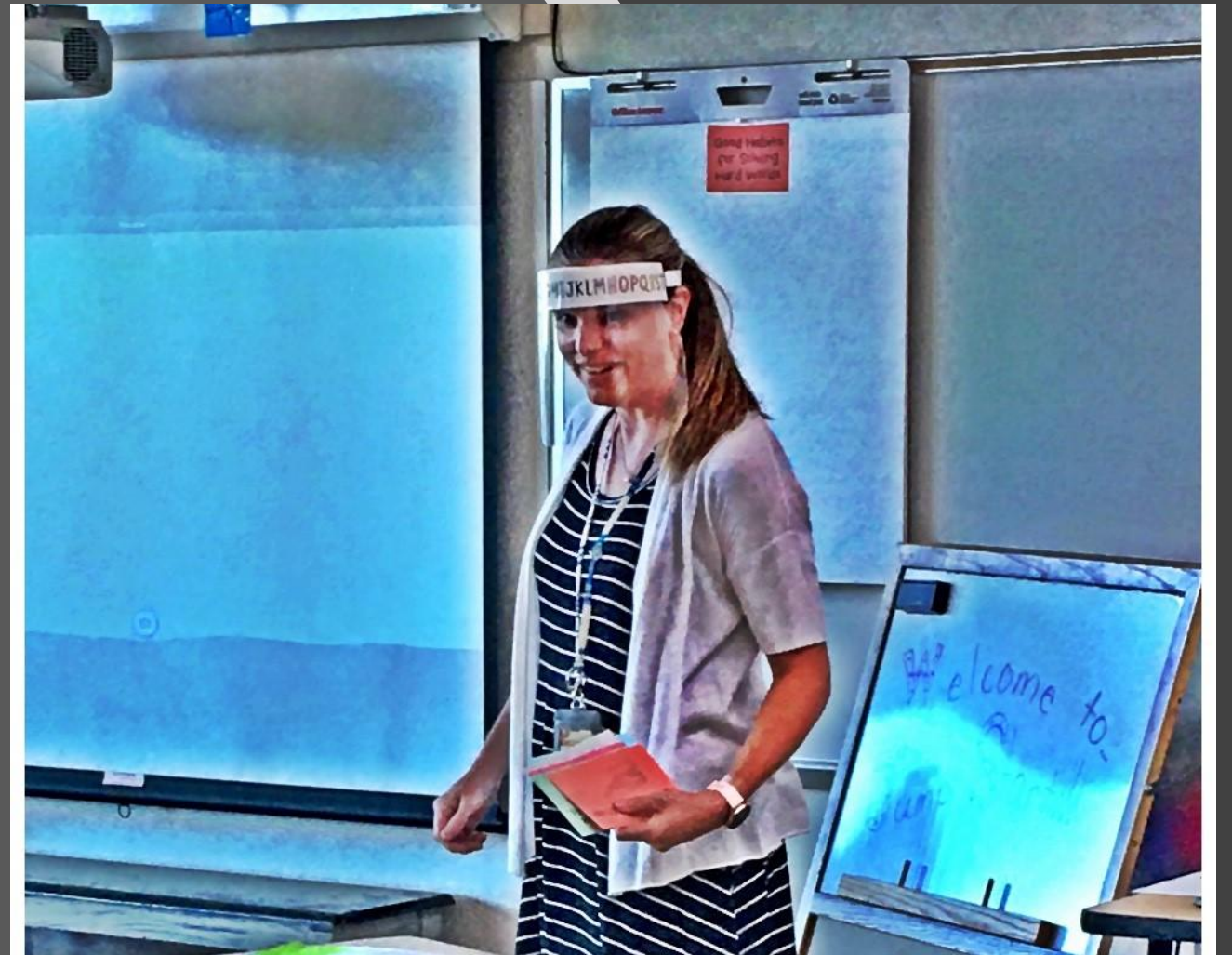


PPE Distribution

The district has provided PPE for students and staff.

All PPE has been dispersed to campus employees.

Should there be a need for additional PPE our campus contact is Emily Pearson.



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

Safety procedures will be taught by classroom teachers.

Arrival

- Parents will complete screening prior to arrival (Principal will email families prior to August 24th the screening protocol)
- Arrival times may be staggered to meet campus needs.
- Students will arrive at 3 designated doors at Alexander.
- 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 class.
- Students temperature will be taken as part of the screening process.
- Students will get their grab & go breakfast and using their ID badge and report straight to class.

Dismissal

- Prior to dismissal, students will properly clean their work space by putting away all personal items for the day.
- Students will wear masks during dismissal.
- Students will maintain physical distance during dismissal.
- Dismissal will take place in the cafeteria while properly social distancing.
- Walkers will dismiss from the outside area by the gym while properly social distancing.
- Daycare will dismiss downstairs while properly social distancing.
- Dismissal time will be at 3:05 pm.

Staggered Arrival Times

7:15-7:25: Pre-k-1st (Front of building)

7:25-7:35: 2nd-3rd (ramp by workroom door)

7:35-7:45: 4th & 5th (4th grade hallway)

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'.
- Pre-K through 5th grade 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.
Students will have the opportunity to eat outside weather permitting
- Custodial Staff will clean tables between each lunch session.

Common Areas

- Custodial staff will be responsible for common areas of the campus. Protocols established by health officials and our Buildings and Grounds Department will be adhered to.
- If there are cleanliness issues, who will these be reported to on campus?

Restrooms

- Students will wear masks when going to restrooms.
- Students will be expected to maintain physical distance from one another.
- Teachers will ensure that all students have masks on when using the restroom during class.
- Teachers will monitor whole group restroom breaks while ensuring students are 6 feet apart.

Nurse

- Nurse Zapata will be available to screen students reported to have symptoms by reporting to the classroom and providing medical needs to the students
- Nurse will be mobile with medication cart.
- Nurses clinic will be used as the isolation room.

Clinic Appointments

- Teachers will schedule non-emergency visits to the clinic for students
 - Staff will be trained to schedule clinic visit on Outlook Shared Calendar
- Emergency visits:
 - Bleeding
 - Barfing
 - Broken bone
 - Breathing bad
 - Burning up
 - Bee stings
 - Big bump