

## **Tucson Country Day School Mitigation Plan**

*\*Also included in the TCDS Student/Parent Handbook*

### **Screening**

Families are the first point of screening for symptoms and should self-report when symptoms are present by calling their health care provider and school, and keeping their child home.

For on campus, in-person learning please note:

- Temperature checks will be conducted for all students and staff entering campus. Families must remain in their vehicles in the parking lot until their child's temperature has been taken and they are cleared to enter campus. Individuals with a temperature above 100 degrees fahrenheit will be sent home.

### **SECTION 1:**

Do you/Has the child/children: have any of the following symptoms:

- Fever  $\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$  or chills
- Cough (for students with chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline)
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache (new onset)
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea or abdominal pain

## SECTION 2.

Have you had close contact (less than 6 feet for > 15 minutes) in the last 14 days with:

- Someone that has a confirmed case of COVID-19 case OR
- A person with symptoms of COVID-19 OR
- Someone that traveled to or lived in an area where the local, Tribal, territorial, or state health department is reporting large numbers of COVID-19 cases OR
- Someone who lives in areas of high community transmission.

### IF YES to SECTION 1 + NO to ALL SECTION 2:

#### **School**

- Stay masked and isolate immediately in designated space until can leave/be picked up.
- Stay home unless to go to medical care, monitor symptoms, see medical care as needed (call first).
- Discuss the need for a test with a healthcare provider.
- Notify parents/guardians, and designated school personnel about student or staff absence and health status.
- Symptomatic students or staff may return to campus with clearance from a healthcare provider.

### IF YES to SECTION 1 + YES to ANY SECTION 2:

#### **School**

- Stay masked and isolate immediately in designated space until can leave/be picked up.
- Close off areas used by symptomatic and/or confirmed COVID-19 cases. Do not use the space before cleaning and disinfection. To reduce risk of exposure, wait 24 hours before you clean and disinfect. If it is not possible, wait as long as practicable.
- Utilize appropriate PPE and ventilation while applying safe and correct application of disinfectants for cleaning.
- Keep disinfectant products away from students.

## Home

- Follow guidance on isolation or quarantine according to ADHS.
- Call a healthcare provider to obtain COVID-19 viral test.
- Stay home unless to go to medical care, monitor symptoms, seek medical care as needed (call first).
- Separate (isolate) from other family members if possible; avoid sharing household items, clean high-touch surfaces.
- Wear a mask around others, cover coughs and sneezes and clean hands often using soap and water and scrubbing for 20 seconds.

If been in contact with a COVID-19 case:

- A student or staff member who becomes infected with COVID-19 must self-quarantine for 14 calendar days.
- Siblings of an infected student, and attending children of an infected staff member, must self-quarantine for 14 calendar days.
- Parents will be notified by phone call within 12 hours if their child was exposed to COVID-19.
- Students in the infected student's cohort must:
  - Self-quarantine and participate in remote learning for 14 calendar days, or
  - Receive a negative COVID-19 test and return to school
- The teachers of an infected student will get a rapid COVID-19 test in partnership with a local provider.
- If all teachers test negative for COVID-19, on-campus schooling resumes next day for cohorts other than the cohort of the infected student.
- Current [CDC guidelines](#) suggest COVID-19 testing for those that have had close contact with an infected individual. Therefore, additional cohorts in the infected student's grade level would not be required to quarantine and/or receive a COVID-19 test and may continue to attend school on campus provided that all teachers in the grade level test negative for COVID-19.
- If a teacher becomes infected with COVID-19:

- On-campus schooling will be paused for the grade level(s) taught by that teacher and students will temporarily engage in remote learning for three consecutive school days.
- All students in the grade level(s) taught by the infected teacher must self-quarantine and participate in remote learning for 14 calendar days, or
- Receive a negative COVID-19 test and return to school after the three day pause period is over.
- A previously infected student or staff member must receive clearance from a doctor and/or a negative COVID-19 test in order to return to campus. The school must be provided with a clearance notice.

### **Hygiene / Sanitation**

- High touch surfaces (desks, door handles, restrooms, playgrounds) will be sanitized multiple times throughout the day using an EPA registered disinfectant.
- All students in grades K-8, and all TCDS teachers and staff, will wear face coverings per [Tucson city ordinance](#) and participate in routine hand-washing.
- TCDS has installed fifteen outdoor hand washing stations for student and staff use throughout the day.
- Hand sanitizer is available in each classroom for student use when unable to wash hands.
- Use of shared objects will be discouraged. Students will be expected to come to school with personal supplies. Click here for [supply list](#).

### **Physical Distancing**

- A staggered student drop off and pick up will be implemented to minimize large numbers of students entering campus at once.
- For on-campus learning, student cohort groupings will be based on the size of the room. Student seating will allow for six feet between participating students. Classroom doors will be opened, weather permitting, as often as possible to allow for air circulation.
- Student cohorts will not interact with other cohorts.

- Students will learn outdoors on the TCDS 11-acre campus as often as possible, weather and task permitting.
- Parents will not be allowed on campus unless special circumstances arise.
- There will be staggered recess and lunch breaks for each cohort.

### **Lunch**

- Lunch will be eaten in designated areas that prevent cohorts mixing.
- Ordered lunch is prepared safely offsite and delivered to TCDS.
- Ordered lunch will be delivered to students in their designated eating area.

### **Attendance/Learning**

- Student and staff attendance will be monitored daily.
- School will provide education to students about:
  - What to do if they are feeling sick
  - Importance of the three W's to prevent illness:
    - Wearing a face covering
    - Walking 6 feet apart
    - Washing hands
- Staff will receive training COVID-19 (e.g. symptoms, transmission, prevention)
  - Proper use, removal and cleaning of face coverings and how to assist students with these actions.
  - Policies for enforcing social distancing.
  - How to teach/model/monitor: hand washing/use of sanitizer; use/disposal of tissues for coughing, sneezing and wiping noses.

### **School Communication**

- TCDS is working with the Pima County Health Department and the Arizona Department of Health and Safety to forecast situations in which schools may be required to close in the future.
- In the event of intermittent closures, TCDS will use the remote learning schedules that the school year began using.
- The school will notify staff and families of the need to close via Class Dojo and email.