



2021-2022

COVID-19 SAFETY PLAN

For In-Person Instruction in Accordance with the
California Department of Public Health Guidelines

This is a working document and information may be subject to change as directed by federal or state law and regulations or guidance.

A Healthy Emotional and Spiritual Environment

Students will be encouraged to do the following to ease worry or anxiety:

- Share concerns and feelings.
- Seek peace through prayer.
- Find comfort and wisdom in God's Word.
- Take breaks from social media and news stories.
- Respect others wearing masks.

A Healthy Social Environment

Students will be encouraged to practice appropriate social distancing:

- Create distancing on the playground and blacktop to utilize open spaces.
- Leave space between each other while walking in lines.
- Separate chapel will be held for TK-1st grades and 2nd-8th grades to lessen crowding.

The following healthy physical practices will be implemented:

As mandated, students and staff are required to wear masks indoors unless a doctor's mask exemption is on file in the school office.

- Masks can be removed for snack, meals, and outdoor class instruction and outdoor play.
- Each student's supplies will be kept separately in labeled containers.
- Sharing of students' personal snacks, food, or drinks will not be allowed.

A Healthy Physical Environment

Students will be taught healthy hygiene practices:

- Germs can get into the body through the eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Germs can make us sick.
- Germs from unwashed hands can get into food and drinks.
- Germs from unwashed hands can be transferred to other objects.
- Washing hands prevents illness and the spread of infection to others.

The following healthy hygiene practices will be reinforced:

- Use tissue to wipe their nose.
- Cough or sneeze inside a tissue or an elbow.
- Wash hands after coughing/sneezing, outside play, restroom use, and before eating.
- Wash their hands for 20 seconds with soap.
- Students are instructed to use hand sanitizer in classrooms and handwashing stations.

The school will use disinfectant products that have been shown to be effective against COVID-19 and newly implemented cleaning routines will continue:

- Frequently touched surfaces within the school will be cleaned daily.
- Thorough cleaning of classrooms occurs daily by a professional service.
- Water filling stations will be used to refill personal, reusable water bottles.

School lunches should be individually packed:

- Students may order Choice Lunch: pre-selected, individually packaged items.
- Hot Box lunches are stored in a container and labeled with the student's name.
- Lunch bags should be washed daily at home.

School COVID-19 Procedures:

COVID-19 Precautions

- Daily visual wellness monitoring of COVID-19 symptoms will occur.
- Parents are encouraged to monitor their child's symptoms and temperature daily.
- Parents are required to keep students home if any household members are presenting symptoms. Staff are responsible for self-monitoring of symptoms.
- COVID-19 symptoms include:
 - Fever of 100.4
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Chills
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle aches
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Diarrhea
- Students or staff with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher, a persistent cough, or other COVID-19 symptoms will be sent home with testing recommended. A student or staff member may return to school 24 hours after symptoms resolve. A negative test result will not change this time frame.
- Elementary/junior high staff are vaccinated OR test weekly. Records of vaccination and weekly testing will be kept on file in the school office.
- Parent volunteers will be required to present their vaccination record or a negative test result within 72 hours of the time of volunteering. Records of vaccination and testing will be kept on file in the school office.

COVID-19 Protocols:

- The school will check state and local orders and health department notices and adjust school operations as needed to ensure safe practices. If the governor issues a mandatory stay at home executive order, the school will move to distance learning utilizing live, interactive, digital classroom meetings, and educational technology, such as Google Classroom and the SeeSaw App.
- If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19 and has exposed others at the school, the following steps will be taken:
 - In collaboration with the local public health department, school administration will decide whether a classroom or school closure is warranted as determined by the public health officer.
 - The positive case will need to be quarantined for 10 days, along with students and staff that had close contact with the positive case.
 - Staff and students, who are in quarantine, may take a Covid-19 test on day 5, 6, or 7 of quarantine. A negative test will permit returning on day 8 of the 10 day quarantine, if no symptoms have been present.
 - Fully vaccinated individuals, who have come in close contact, are NOT required to quarantine, as long as symptoms are not present.
 - In order to maintain confidentiality, the school will not release the identity of the positive case to the school population.

COVID-19 Positive Case Quarantine Procedures:

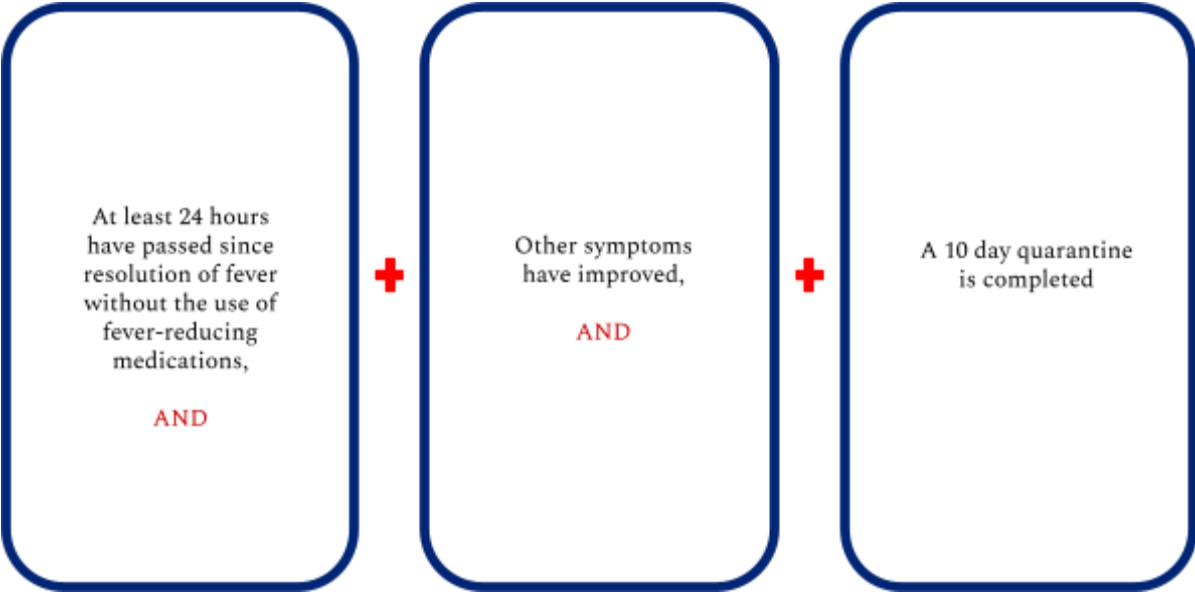
- A positive COVID-19 test result of a student, and students, who sit near the positive student, will be sent home to quarantine. Those students will be sent home for 10 days, unless a negative test result is presented on the 5th, 6th, or 7th day of the quarantine period. Negative test results of the class on days 5, 6, or 7 of the quarantine will allow returning on the 8th day of the quarantine period. Students who choose not to test will receive independent work to complete at home for the rest of the 10 day quarantine period.
- Students, who test positive during their 10 day quarantine period, will have an extended quarantine period from the positive test date. Such students will receive

independent work to complete while at home for the extended quarantine period, a total of 10 days after the positive test date.

- A contact person is a person who is 6 feet from a case for more than 15 minutes.
- Students or staff, who are sick or who have recently had close contact with a person with COVID-19, will be instructed to stay home with a recommended testing and quarantine for 10 days unless that individual is vaccinated. The Orange County Health Agency and school population will be notified within 48 hours. Classroom and school will remain open, and school notification of a known contact will be sent by the school office.
- A contact person, who is fully vaccinated, is NOT required to quarantine. The individual may remain on campus, as long as masking guidelines are still followed while on campus, and the individual is symptom free.
- Disinfection and cleaning of the classrooms will occur daily.

CDPH Return to School Criteria for Positive Cases

Students and staff, who have tested positive for COVID-19, may return to campus in person when the CDPH criteria to return to school is met:



Case Reporting:

- Kim Winger, GCS Elementary and Jr. High Office Manager is the COVID-19 designated point of contact person, and she will communicate COVID-19 school updates to the school and report cases to Orange County Health Agency.

COVID-19 Resources:

COVID-19 Testing Locations Map:

<https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/testing-resources-orange-county>

<https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/covid-19-testing>

COVID-19 Vaccinations Locations Map:

[Vaccines.gov - Find COVID-19 vaccine locations near you](https://www.vaccines.gov)

COVID-19 School Guidelines:

[K-12 Guidance 2021-22 School Year \(ca.gov\)](https://www.ca.gov)

