

As we enter the 2022-23 school year, we know there are likely many questions about how we are approaching COVID-19 and other health-related topics.

The table below summarizes our plans in key areas. For additional information, please see the School-Level COVID-19 Management Plan Template for 2022-23 on our website, <https://www.dallas.k12.or.us/covid-192022-23>

2022-23 Communicable Disease Management

COVID-19 Vaccination	Recommended for all students who are eligible. Required for staff, volunteers, and those who supply goods or services to school-based programs, per OAR 333-019-1030 , unless they have received an approved medical or religious exception.
Student Immunizations	Several immunizations are required by the State of Oregon for school attendance (English , Español). These immunizations must be current by mid-February 2023 to avoid exclusion from school.
Face Coverings	Optional for most students and staff. Recommended for those recovering from COVID if they will be around others on days 6-10 post-diagnosis. Encouraged for ill students awaiting parent pickup.
Testing	On-site testing for COVID-19 at school will be conducted on an as-needed basis with parent/guardian consent. Staff may test onsite at their request.
Isolation	People who have tested positive for COVID-19 are required to not report to school/work least five days, with day 1 being the first full day after symptom onset or positive test (if asymptomatic). They may return to work/school on Day 6, or as soon thereafter as they have been fever-free for at least 24 hours without the aid of medication, and other symptoms are improving.
Quarantine (for Exposure)	People who have been exposed to COVID-19 are not required to quarantine. It is recommended that they wear a mask for 10 days and get tested on day 5.
Physical Distancing	No physical distancing is required. Recommended , as a general healthy practice, distancing of <i>at least three feet</i> between yourself and others.
Contact Tracing	Our Nursing Team will investigate potential outbreaks and respond accordingly; communicate with local and state health authorities regarding outbreaks; and provide instructions and advice to students, staff, and families as needed. Notifications of day to day exposure will not be distributed to staff and student/families, at this time.
Communication	Communication will be sent out, as-needed, if there is an outbreak in a classroom, at school, or at a school event. General COVID-19 information will continue to be shared within the district as updates arise.

FAQ's:

Q. Will masks be required in my child's school?

A. Mask wearing will be optional and welcomed for students and staff members.

Q. Do visitors have to be vaccinated or wear masks?

A. Visitors are considered adults entering the school building during the day for a limited amount of time (i.e. picking up a student for an appointment, dropping off supplies, meeting with a teacher, watching their student get an award, etc.). If a visitor is interacting with children other than their own or spending a longer amount of time in the building with other students, they will need to go through our volunteer application process, which includes a background check, and providing proof of vaccination (or requesting a medical or religious exception).

Q. I work for the Dallas School District. If I contract COVID-19, do I have access to special sick leave?

A. There is no COVID-19 specific leave available this school year, as this falls within our normal response for being "too sick for school/work." You would need to access your normal sick leave options if you need to care for a family member who is ill.

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