



NORTH HILLS

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COVID-19 Safety Plan (CSP) for In-Person Instruction

(as of 8/16/2021 and is subject to change [via Solano County Public Health guidelines](#))

This plan follows the COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools in California, 2021-2022 School Year dated January 13, 2022.

The Plan outline is based on a “Healthy Only” framework for the NHCS campus. This framework requires parents and employees to ensure that **only healthy individuals are entering the campus**. A “Healthy Only” framework provides the greatest level of “normalcy” but depends on students and employees to remain at home if they display any COVID-19 symptoms or have been in contact with others who are symptomatic.

Information in this Health & Safety Plan is in addition to and will supersede NHCS Student/Parent Handbook policies as long as the California Department of Public Health and Solano County Public Health guidelines are in effect.

Supervisors responsible for implementing the COVID-19 Health & Safety Plan are K-12 Superintendent, Florence Wright (fwright@nhcsvallejo.org), and Senior Executive Pastor, Daniel Barrett (dbarrett@nhcsvallejo.org). These onsite supervisors will spot check and make corrections as well as receive employee communication regarding noticed deficiencies.

Plan Item	Protocols
Case Reporting <i>CDPH Guidance for K-12 2021-2022 (August 2, 2021)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Per AB 86 (2021) and California Code Title 17, section 2500, schools are required to report COVID-19 cases to the local public health department. ● The K-12 Superintendent acts as the COVID-19 liaison to assist the local health department with contact tracing and investigation.
Communication Plans	Parents and staff will use email or telephone communication to self-report symptoms. NH uses an emergency message system in the event notification is necessary, while maintaining confidentiality.
COVID-19 Testing	Employees are referred to their Primary Care Providers for COVID-19 testing. Testing of symptomatic students and employees can be accessed through the Solano County testing resources. Students and employees with symptoms of COVID-19 infection are advised not to return for in-person instruction/work until they have met CDPH criteria to discontinue home isolation.
Employee Training	All employees received COVID-19 training on their return to campus and before caring for children using the following resources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● North Hills Cal/OSHA COVID-19 for Office/Employee Workspaces. ● CDPH COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools in California, 2021-22 School Year Training updates take place as soon as practicable when K-12 Guidance is revised.

<p>Face Coverings</p> <p><i>CDPH Guidance for K-12 2021-2022 (August 2, 2021).</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Masks are optional outdoors for all in K-12 school settings. ● K-12 students are required to wear masks indoors (including transportation), with exemptions per CDPH face mask guidance. ● Adults in K-12 school settings are required to mask when sharing indoor spaces (including transportation) with students. ● Persons exempted from wearing a face covering due to a medical condition, must wear a non-restrictive alternative, such as a face shield with a drape on the bottom edge, as long as their condition permits it. ● Schools must develop and implement local protocols to provide a face covering to students who inadvertently fail to bring a face covering to school to prevent unnecessary exclusions. ● In limited situations where a face covering cannot be used for pedagogical or developmental reasons, (e.g., communicating or assisting young children or those with special needs) a face shield with a drape (per CDPH guidelines) can be used instead of a face covering while in the classroom as long as the wearer maintains physical distance from others. Staff must return to wearing a face covering outside of the classroom. ● North Hills will provide disposable masks to students who fail to bring a mask or misplace it during the day.
<p>Facility recommendations</p> <p><i>CDPH Guidance for K-12 2021-2022 (August 2, 2021)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All classroom space includes windows that are opened as much as possible to allow ventilation and airflow. ● Hand sanitizing stations are strategically placed throughout the campus. ● Adequate supplies to support healthy hygiene behavior including soap, tissues, no-touch trash cans, hand sanitizer (60% ethyl alcohol), etc. are available to students and staff. ● In general, cleaning once a day is usually enough to sufficiently remove potential virus that may be on surfaces. Disinfecting (using disinfectants of the U.S. EPA COVID-19 list) removes any remaining germs on surfaces, which further reduces any risk of spreading infection. ● Teachers are responsible for the regular cleaning of frequently touched surfaces. ● If a person with COVID-19 has been in the facility, the spaces will be cleaned AND disinfected. ● An isolation room is designated in the school office to separate anyone who exhibits symptoms of COVID-19 and is cleaned after use.
<p>Food</p> <p><i>CDPH Guidance for K-12 2021-2022 (August 2, 2021)</i></p>	<p>Given very low risk of transmission from surfaces and shared objects, there is no need to limit food service approaches to single use items and packaged meals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Weather permitting, student lunches are eaten outdoors. ● Maximize physical distance as much as possible while eating (especially indoors). ● Clean frequently touched surfaces. Surfaces that come in contact with food should be washed, rinsed, and sanitized before and after meals.

<p>Hand Hygiene recommendations</p> <p><i>CDPH Guidance for K-12 2021-2022 (August 2, 2021)</i></p>	<p>Teach and reinforce washing hands, avoiding contact with eyes, nose, and mouth, and covering coughs and sneezes among students and staff.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Promote hand washing throughout the day, especially before and after eating, after using the toilet, and after handling garbage, or removing gloves. ● Ensure adequate supplies to support healthy hygiene behaviors, including soap, tissues, no-touch trash cans, face coverings, and hand sanitizers with at least 60 percent ethyl alcohol for staff and children who can safely use hand sanitizer. ● Healthy hygiene signage is posted throughout the buildings. ● Hand sanitizing stations are strategically placed throughout the campus.
<p>On-Campus Sickness</p>	<p>Any student or staff member who exhibits 1 or more symptoms of COVID-19 while on campus are directed to the office, isolated from others until they can be transported home or to a healthcare facility. The measures taken should a student, teacher, or staff member have symptoms, is a contact of someone infected, or is diagnosed with COVID-19:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <u>COVID-19 symptoms.</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Send home and testing is recommended. ● School/classroom remain open. 2) <u>Close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case.</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Send home. ● Exclude from school for 10 days from last exposure or positive test, per CDPH quarantine recommendations. ● May return to school after 10 days of quarantine if symptom-free or symptoms are receding and without fever for 24 hours. ● School/classroom remain open. 3) <u>Symptomatic person tests negative or a healthcare provider documents that symptoms are typical of their underlying chronic condition.</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May return to school after 24 hours have passed without fever and symptoms have started improving. ● School/classroom remain open.

<p>Parents and Guests</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All parents and guests are required to wear a face covering indoors. • While we do not want to discourage volunteerism completely, parents who wish to volunteer will have to follow guidelines and must be pre-arranged as there are no drop-in visits. • School tours for prospective families are limited to outdoor space only.
<p>Physical Distancing</p> <p><i>CDPH Guidance for K-12 2021-2022 (August 2, 2021)</i></p>	<p>Recent evidence indicates that in-person instruction can occur safely without minimum physical distancing requirements when other mitigation strategies (e.g., masking) are implemented. This is consistent with CDC K-12 School Guidance.</p> <p>Drop Off:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Middle/High student drop off at red tables at the north end of the campus beginning at 8:00 a.m. • K-5 student drop off at car lanes in front of PS playground beginning at 8:00 a.m. <p>Dismissal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervised pick up until 15 minutes after school dismissal times at the designated areas. Designated pick up areas are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Kindergarten, 3rd, and 4th grades: car lanes in front of PS playground; 2) 1st, 2nd, and 5th grades: the ramp outside of E200 (near Worship Center) 3) 6th - 12th grades: red tables at the north end of the campus,; • Exterior doors remain open for 15 minutes after the start of school. Students arriving after this time must report to the school office. • Safety shields are installed at the school office front desk. <p>Classroom:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upon entering the classroom students sanitize/wash their hands. • Students are instructed not to share items with their classmates. <p>Recess:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classrooms have dedicated equipment used only by students in that classroom.
<p>School Closure Determinations</p>	<p>In consultation with the local public health department, a closure may be recommended based on the number of cases and stable groups impacted. This may include a partial/temporary closure of the campus for cleaning and disinfection. The current automated message system is used to contact parents.</p> <p>To ensure a smooth transition at any time in the future that the school may need to shift from campus-based to home-based Remote Instruction.</p>

<p>Staying home when sick</p> <p><i>CDPH Guidance for K-12 2021-2022 (August 2, 2021)</i></p>	<p>Advise staff members and students with symptoms of COVID-19 infection not to return for in-person instruction until they have met CDPH criteria to return to school for those with symptoms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. At least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications; and ii. Other symptoms have improved; and iii. They have a negative test for SARS-CoV-2, OR a healthcare provider has provided documentation that the symptoms are typical of their underlying chronic condition (e.g., allergies or asthma) OR a healthcare provider has confirmed an alternative named diagnosis (e.g., Streptococcal pharyngitis, Coxsackie virus), OR at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset.
<p>Technology</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● In grades K-8, Chromebooks and computer carts are assigned and include a protocol for continual surface cleaning. ● High School students participate in a one-to-one program in which every student will utilize a Chromebook. ● Shared equipment in computer labs is maintained with a protocol of surface cleaning between every use.
<p>Transportation</p>	<p>North Hills is offering transportation services for students residing off I-80 in Contra Costa County. All indoor protocols will be in place for both driver and students.</p>
<p>Water</p>	<p>Water fountains are not operational. Students must bring water bottles labeled with their name. Parents should consider the need for extra water on hot days.</p>