

KANSAS CITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL RE-ENTRY PLAN  
2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

*This document communicates the details in connection to our reopening plan for the 2020-2021 school year. The plan document is both dynamic and reflects the most current information and guidelines offered by our state and local health agencies. This plan will be reviewed and revised as more information about COVID-19 is provided to KCC by JCDHE and the CDC.*

**STEPS TO KEEP INDIVIDUALS SAFE**

- **Masks:** Everyone will be required to wear masks while in the school building. Masks will not be required for preschool students. Face shields are not an acceptable substitute for masks. Face shields may be worn in addition to a mask/face covering.
- **Social distancing:** We will encourage social distancing whenever possible. We will arrange learning spaces to allow for social distancing as much as is possible in our facility.
- **Outdoors:** If students are outside and can maintain social distancing they are permitted to remove their masks and are not considered close contacts.
- **Hand washing/Sanitizer:** Frequent washing of hands and use of hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizer stations at entry doors so that staff, students, and guests can sanitize hands before entering the building. Students will wash hands and use hand sanitizer regularly throughout the day.
- **Temperature checks:** All students, staff and visitors will have their temperature checked before they enter the building each day. Anyone with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher, will wait in the quarantine room until their parents can take them home.
- **Promote healthy hygiene practices:**
  - Cover coughs and sneezes with your elbow or cough or sneeze into a tissue if possible.
  - Replace handshakes and hugs.
  - Teach and reinforce proper use of face coverings. Everyone will frequently be reminded not to touch the face covering and to wash their hands frequently.
- **Quarantine Room:** Should any staff or students show symptoms of COVID-19 they will wait in the designated quarantine space until they can return home or to a health facility.
  - Parents need to update their child's emergency contact information in Renweb to ensure that contacts currently listed can pick up their child immediately if the child becomes sick.
  - Space will be frequently cleaned, sanitized, and disinfected
  - The front office will maintain an illness log.
  - Parents should email Mrs. Lopez AND their child's divisional principal if their child is home sick.

### Signs & Symptoms of COVID-19

**Students and employees** exhibiting the following symptoms without other obvious explanations are prohibited from coming to school and if they do come to school they will be placed in the safety of the Quarantine Room until they can be taken home.

**Adults and Students** with at least one primary or two or more secondary symptoms should NOT come to school:

<u>Primary Symptoms (at least one)</u>	<u>Secondary Symptoms (at least two)</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cough (new)</li><li>• Fever (100.4 or higher)</li><li>• Shortness of breath</li><li>• Difficulty breathing</li><li>• Loss of Taste and/or Smell</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chills</li><li>• Muscle or body aches</li><li>• Headache</li><li>• Sore throat</li><li>• Diarrhea/nausea/vomiting</li><li>• Congestion/runny nose</li><li>• Fever</li><li>• Extreme fatigue</li></ul>

### Safe returns to school after exclusion:

When a student or an employee is excluded from the school environment, they may return if they satisfy the current guidelines as follows:

#### If showing symptoms:

- **Untested**

Anyone who has not received a test proving or disproving the presence of the virus but experiences one primary or 2 or more secondary symptoms may return if the following conditions are met:

  - A minimum of **ten days** have passed since symptoms first appeared.
  - **And, fever free for 24 hours** without the use of fever reducing medicine and other COVID-19 symptoms have improved.
  - If your primary care or pediatrician determines there is no need to do a COVID test even with the presence of primary or secondary symptoms, a doctor's note will suffice for return to school
    - Example: your child has a sore throat (secondary symptom), fever (primary symptom), and chills (secondary symptom). The doctor tests for strep and determines your child has strep. Your child may return to school if fever free for 24 hours even though they did not receive a COVID test.
- **Tested and awaiting results**
  - Persons who have one primary or 2 or more secondary symptoms and are suspected of having COVID-19 and are awaiting test results should be isolated at home until test results are received.
  - If you receive a negative test you are allowed to return to school **IF** you are **fever free for 24 hours** without the use of fever reducing medicine AND the presence of primary and secondary symptoms have improved
  - Notify the school you have received a negative COVID test

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- **Positive result**

If you receive a positive COVID test, you may return if the following conditions are met:

- A **minimum of ten days** have passed since primary or secondary symptoms first appeared.
  - Example: You experience symptoms on a Monday but are not tested until Thursday. Your timeline begins on that Monday regardless of the fact you were not tested until Thursday.
- And, **fever free for 24 hours** without the use of fever reducing medicine and the other symptoms have improved.

- **Negative result**

- If you receive a negative test even though you had one primary or 2 or more secondary symptoms, you are allowed to return to school IF you are fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medicine AND the other symptoms have improved
- Notify the school you have received a negative test

**If No Symptoms are present but...:**

- **Known Exposure**

- This applies to anyone who has been in direct contact with a positive COVID-19 case
  - Example: “Sibling A” tests positive → all siblings/parents must quarantine for 14 days even if no symptoms are present. Your quarantine period begins after last exposure to “Sibling A’s” symptoms. If “Sibling A” developed symptoms on Sunday but was not tested until Tuesday and the results are not back until Thursday, you begin counting your quarantine period from the last known exposure. Meaning we encourage you to quarantine within your house if symptoms are present.
- Anyone with known exposure to a COVID-19 case must quarantine for 14 days.
  - Example: You have friends over to your house and 3 days later that friend tells you they tested positive. Your quarantine period begins on the date of the last known contact with that friend.
- If you do not have symptoms but decide to get tested, a negative test result within the 14 day quarantine does not affect the quarantine period. You are still required to quarantine for 14 days.
- If a student at school tests positive KCC will work with JCHD to determine who is defined as a “close contact”

- **Q & A on known exposure:**

- **I was quarantined due to known exposure and now I’m showing symptoms.**
  - Follow the above guidelines for exhibiting symptoms. Your timeline for being quarantined resets because you are now symptomatic
- **I was quarantined because “sibling A” tested positive. I don’t have any symptoms but now “sibling B” is showing symptoms. What do I do?**
  - You will follow the above guidelines for “Known exposure but no symptoms present” and your quarantine period resets.
- **Who is defined as a Close Contact?**

A close contact is defined as follows:

  - You were within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for at least 10 minutes, three days prior to them testing positive or the onset of symptoms.
  - You provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19.
  - You had direct physical contact with the person who has tested positive.
  - You shared eating or drinking utensils with a positive case.
  - A positive case sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you.
  - Families who have a child/parent who tests positive are classified as direct contacts.

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- Being within 6 feet for 10 minutes or more. Additional factors like infected person/contact masking (i.e., both the infectious individual and the potential close contact have been consistently and properly masked), classroom-level mitigation measures, individual risk profiles, and case symptomology may affect this determination
- **I would like to travel with my family, is this allowed?**
  - If a student or employee has recently traveled to a location on the [KDHE Travel related Quarantine List](#) they must quarantine for 14 days starting from the day AFTER they return to Kansas.