



COVID SAFETY PLAN

The following Health and Safety plan is based on a "Healthy Only" framework for Deep Valley Christian School. This framework attempts to provide the greatest level of "normalcy" while paying heed to the less than normal circumstances that come with the COVID-19 Pandemic.

LOCAL CONDITIONS

Deep Valley Christian School will consider all guidelines provided by Mendocino County Office of Education, Mendocino County Public Health, California Department of Public Health, and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Cal/OSHA.

For this framework to have the best possible success our parents and employees must participate in ensuring that only healthy individuals enter our campus. As we co-exist with COVID-19, our facilities and day-to-day protocols have been adjusted to best serve our students and staff with a healthy and safe environment as is within our ability. Some adjustments are inconvenient and undesirable, but are for this time necessary. In order to participate in our classroom activities the following COVID PROTOCOLS is a requirement.

COVID PROTOCOLS

We are asking that all Deep Valley families remember the risk of large social gatherings. We need to be mindful of COVID risks to protect our school. Please sign and Acceptance of COVID Protocols before beginning school.

Our daily protocols will include:

1. A temperature and wellness check for each student will be conducted upon arrival outside the office. Your **child will not be admitted** to class without the wellness check.
2. Do not send your child to school if you can answer **YES** to any of the following questions: Please see symptoms on page 6.
 - a. Have you or anyone in household had a fever (100.4°) in the past 24 hours?
 - b. Have you or anyone in your household had any other COVID-19 symptoms in the past 24 hours?
 - c. Have you or anyone in your household been exposed to anyone in the past 14 days who has tested positive for COVID-19.
3. Masks will be required of all adults on campus. Teachers will wear face shields. Mendocino County face covering guidelines vary by grade level. All students should have a cloth face

covering available or face shield and use it as directed by teacher according to Mendocino County Department of Health guidelines.

4. Parents are not allowed to enter the classroom. Preschool and JK parents must sign in on table outside of class.
5. Students will wash hands upon entering classroom and use sanitizer when exiting classroom. Students will wash hands at least every two hours if not more.
6. Classrooms and bathrooms will be disinfected during the day and thoroughly sanitized each evening. Toys and shared items will be sanitized daily.
7. All classroom stable groups will not intermingle with other classroom groups.
8. Students will use their own classroom supplies and not share with other students.
9. Recesses and lunch will be staggered. Students will eat in their classroom at their desk. Students will not share any lunch or snack items.
10. Elementary classroom desks will be spaced six feet apart.
11. Students will be picked up from classroom. Avoid congregating on campus during drop-off and pick-up.

ADDRESSING POSITIVE COVID-19

In accordance with CDPH guidance, when a student, teacher, or staff member or a member of their household tests positive for COVID-19 and has exposed others at the school, the following steps will be implemented:

- Consult with the local public health officials to consider whether school closure is warranted and for what length of time, based on the risk level within the specific community as determined by the local public health officer. Guidance typically notes that areas where there was a positive COVID-19 person, we would need to close in those areas for 2-5 days for deep cleaning and disinfecting.
- Closure of classroom and/or office where the COVID-19-positive individual was based while students and/or staff isolate.

Communication with students, staff and parents regarding positive COVID-19 cases and/or exposures. When a positive case of COVID-19 is reported to the school, the Point of Contact designee will communicate with all students, parents and staff. The DVCS Point of Contact will contact the local health department in the event of a confirmed case of COVID-19. The DVCS POC will collect the information that will support contact tracing of staff and students who have been exposed to a confirmed case of COVID-19 on our campus. The DVCS POC will notify all persons involved via the school Emergency Notification System, adhering to all privacy requirements.

Depending on the contact tracing results, we will send the appropriate notification template to students, parents and staff to instruct and inform them of the exposure to a positive case on campus. Guidelines for students, parents and staff regarding exposure to COVID-19, are available on the school website. Persons with symptoms of COVID-19 will not be allowed on campus and will be encouraged to have testing within 24 hours. DVCS staff are periodically scheduled to receive COVID-19 testing per CDPH guidelines. Testing logs are kept in the Business Office.

PROCEDURES

Any student that exhibits a fever of 100.4 or higher and/or flu-like symptoms will be held in Room 10 (isolated sick room) and the child's parents will be notified to pick up the child. If a student/staff exhibits a fever of 100.4 or higher, and/or flu-like related symptoms, they will be sent home and may return to campus per "Staff & Student Illness Guide--(see page 6) If families choose not to pursue a medical clearance, admittance back to campus will not be permitted until home stay criteria have been met. It is imperative that each student's emergency information be updated including all preexisting health conditions (i.e. asthma, chronic headaches, allergies, etc.) Daily wellness checks track student's attendance and a child's absence will be followed up by the teacher or administrator daily.

If a student or staff member was symptomatic with mild to moderate illness and thinks or knows they had COVID-19, they must isolate at home. They may return to school when all 3 of these criteria have been met:

- At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared and
- At least 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and
- Symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath) have improved

If a student or staff member had no symptoms of illness, but tested positive for COVID-19, they may return to school when:

- There has been 10 days since their first positive test and they continue to have no symptoms.
- If a student or staff member has been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, they may return to school:

- Following a 14-day quarantine if they have no symptoms.

An exposure is defined as someone who has had close contact (less than 6 feet) for at least 15 minutes. If a student or staff member is diagnosed with COVID-19, the school will work closely with Mendocino County Public Health to determine if and for how long the school site should close. Contact tracing will be used to notify families if their child has a possible exposure to COVID-19. Should the physical school site need to close for any period of time, instruction may continue through distance learning.

Recess and lunch schedules are designed to eliminate mixing cohorts.

Facilities Signage is displayed throughout the school (classrooms, hallways, bathrooms, campus offices) for students and staff. For example,

- Stay 6' apart
- Directional arrows
- Wear face coverings
- Cover your cough
- Proper and frequent handwashing/sanitizing
- How to minimize the spread of germs
- Max room occupancy

All personal items brought to the school by a student or employee should be disinfected daily prior to being introduced to the campus.

No personal items may be shared (e.g., backpacks, clothing). Learning materials may be shared if they have been disinfected in between use (e.g., textbooks, tablets). All personal items (including textbooks) must be labeled with the student's name (e.g., water bottles, notebooks, backpacks).

FIELD TRIPS

No field trips are scheduled at this time.

CLASSROOMS & FACILITIES -- All classrooms will be equipped with hand sanitizer, disinfectant spray, and paper towels. We have determined maximum capacity for students of each classroom while meeting guidelines for physical distancing.

In accordance with CDC and CDPH guidance, students are physically distanced and their classrooms and desks are arranged in a way that minimizes face-to-face contact. Evening janitorial staff will clean and disinfect the school facility including play structures. Water fountains will not be operational. Students will be instructed to bring their own water bottles labeled with their name

Cleaning Protocols

- Disinfect surfaces between uses, such as: ·Desks and tables·Chairs·Keyboards, phones, headsets, copy machines
- Disinfect frequently—at least daily—high-touch surfaces, such as: ·Door handles·Handrails·Sink handles·Restroom surfaces·Toys, games, art supplies, instructional materials, and manipulatives· Playground equipment

COVID 19-Exposure/Quarantine Guidelines

Scenario 1—YOU TEST POSITIVE (Lab Result)

1. Notify school
2. If symptomatic, isolate immediately. Remain home until:
 - a. 10 days counted since symptoms began AND
 - b. 24 hours with no fever without fever reducing medicine AND
 - c. Symptoms have improved
3. If asymptomatic, isolate
 - a. Quarantine 10 days from positive test result
 - b. Monitor for symptoms twice a day
 - c. Return to school after 10 days if no symptoms have been present

Scenario 2—YOU LIVE WITH SOMEONE WHO TESTED POSITIVE

1. Notify school
2. If you are asymptomatic
 - a. Quarantine immediately
 - b. Stay home while your positive person is ill and isolated
 - c. Quarantine an additional 14 days after your positive person has recovered and been released
 - d. Quarantine can last up to 24 days or longer
3. If you are asymptomatic and can quarantine safely AWAY from your positive person
 - a. Quarantine for 14 days following last exposure to your positive person
 - b. Monitor yourself for symptoms twice a day – refer to Student Illness Guide if symptoms occur
 - c. Notify primary health care provider if symptoms develop
4. If you choose to be tested, bring negative results from health provider to school

Scenario 3—YOU HAD A CLOSE CONTACT (>15 minutes, <live with someone who tested positive (at school or out in community) starting from 48 hours before the person felt sick until they are isolated

1. Notify school – or school will notify you if it was a contact at school
2. Quarantine for 14 days following date of last exposure
 - a. You will be asked to do distance learning from home
3. Monitor yourself for symptoms twice a day (refer to Student Illness Guide if symptoms occur)

Scenario 4—YOU HAD A CLOSE CONTACT with an asymptomatic person that lives with a positive case— for example, you had contact with another student that lives with a parent that tested positive)

1. NO action or Quarantine required...unless
 - a. That person developed symptoms or consequently tested positive within 14 days of your last contact -- for example, a parent has COVID, you had contact with their child who developed COVID within 14 days of YOUR last contact then
 - b. Contact primary care provider to see about testing
 - c. Clear daily self-health screening
 - d. Contact school—or school will notify you of development

STAFF AND STUDENT ILLNESS GUIDE

Symptoms

Low Risk

- Temperature 100.4 degrees F or higher when taken by mouth
- Sore throat
- Congestion
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever

High Risk

- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline)
- Difficulty breathing
- Loss of taste/smell

Length of Home Stay

YES to One Low Risk Symptom

Exhibit ONE low risk symptom as noted above	Home until: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 72 hrs. fever free/or symptom improving • NO Doctor Note required
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YES to Two or more Low Risk Symptoms or ONE high-risk symptom. Recommend health care provider evaluation.

STUDENT IS TESTED: Received a negative COVID test OR health care provider confirms an alternative diagnosis for symptoms	Home until: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 72 hrs. fever free/or symptom improving • Provide the negative COVID test result per health provider
STUDENT IS TESTED: Received a positive COVID test OR Student is not tested	Home until: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 days since symptoms first appeared and • 24 hours with no fever w/o the use of fever-reducing medications AND • Other symptoms of COVID-19 are improving • NO Doctor Note required

Student has had close contact * with a COVID-19 positive person

Exhibit any low risk or high risk symptoms as noted above and has been in close contact with a COVID-19 positive person.	Home until: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14 days from last contact, AND fever/symptom free 24 hours • NO Doctor Note required • Recommend COVID testing
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This chart was created by guidance from the CDC and designed to assist school personnel and families. It is not intended to replace the clinician’s judgment. This is intended as a guideline only.

*close contact is defined as being within 6’ distance for more than 15 minutes with a COVID-19 positive person.