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Dear LHUSD Parents,

As COVID numbers continue to rise in the community, I want to share how that impacts the school district and our students. The AZ Department of Health has changed the guidance concerning benchmarks to state that a return to virtual learning should be considered when all three benchmarks are red. This is not a requirement; however, they recommend that schools work with local health departments to make the best decision for their school community.

Our local health department continues to work closely with schools to monitor our current status and provide support as we experience positive cases on campus. At this time, while there is a rise in the number of community cases it is not being spread throughout the schools. The health department supports our current status of fully open at the elementary level and hybrid in our middle and high school.

We experienced an increase in the number of staff and students who had to quarantine when the definition of close contact was changed back in October. New guidance for quarantining is now in effect, which reduces the number of required quarantine days from 14 to 10. Quarantined staff or students who test negative for COVID after day 5 of their quarantine can return to school on day 8 once they provide the negative test result to their school nurse.

Please continue to keep students who are exhibiting any symptoms of COVID home until they are fever-free for 24 hours and any other symptoms have improved. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to your school or the District COVID point of contact, which is noted below. All of this information is also located in our updated Reopening Roadmaps on our website (lhusd.org).



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We continue to appreciate all of our parent support during this challenging year and are committed to sharing the most current information as it becomes available.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Stone, Ed.D
 Superintendent

To be considered exposed to COVID-19, you need to have prolonged close contact with a person who has the virus. Close contact includes living in the same household, being within 6 feet of a sick person with the virus for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset with or without the use of a face covering, or being in direct contact with secretions from the sick person.

<p>Student has symptoms and tests positive OR suspects they have COVID-19</p> <p>If at school student will report to the school nurse and be picked up to go home or get medical care. If life threatening symptoms are present the nurse will call 9-1-1. Student will be isolated until they leave the building. If not at school parent/student, will report to the school nurse.</p> <p>Parent/student will complete an interview as soon as possible with the school nurse</p> <p>The District Emergency Operations Coordinator with site administration and nurse will coordinate the sharing of information to others who have been in close contact with sick person – see yellow box for next steps</p> <p>Parents/student should contact their primary care physician. Self-isolate at home for 10 days from symptom onset and experience at least 24 hours of no fever without fever-reducing medication before returning to school. Students may return to work with a doctor's clearance stating "not COVID" and date eligible for return.</p>	<p>Student tests positive but has no symptoms</p> <p>Parent/student will contact the school nurse. The school nurse will report to the District Emergency Operations Coordinator.</p> <p>Parent/student will complete an interview as soon as possible with the school nurse.</p> <p>The District Emergency Operations Coordinator with site administration and nurse will coordinate the sharing of information to others who have been in close contact with sick person. – see yellow box for next steps</p> <p>Parents/student should consider contacting their primary care physician, self-isolate at home for 10 days and monitor for symptoms. Return to school after 10 days with no symptoms.</p>	<p>Student reports someone at home has tested positive</p> <p>Parent/student will contact the school nurse. The nurse will report to the District Emergency Operation Coordinator.</p> <p>Parent/student will complete an interview as soon as possible with the school nurse</p> <p>Parent/student should consider contacting their primary care physician, self-isolate at home for 10 days and monitor for symptoms. If no symptoms develop: - May return to school after 10 day quarantine - May test on or after day 5 and return after 7 day quarantine if negative results are provided to school nurse.</p> <p>If symptoms develop: See first column. <i>Note: quarantine may be extended if multiple people develop COVID.</i></p>	<p>Student has prolonged exposure to someone who has tested positive.</p> <p>Parent/student will contact the school nurse. The nurse will report to the District Emergency Operations Coordinator.</p> <p>Parent/student will complete an interview as soon as possible with the school nurse</p> <p>Parent/student should consider contacting their primary care physician, self-isolate at home for 10 days and monitor for symptoms. If no symptoms develop: - May return to school after 10 day quarantine - May test on or after day 5 and return after 7 day quarantine if negative results are provided to school nurse.</p> <p>If symptoms develop: See first column.</p>	<p>Student reports someone in their home was exposed to someone who tested positive.</p> <p>Parent/student will monitor for symptoms, continue normal activities (no need to self-isolate).</p>
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[CDC Guidelines for returning](#)