

# RETURN TO CAMPUS OVERVIEW

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# Overview



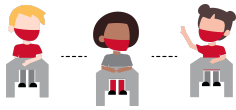
## Health Screenings

All students and staff should be assessed for any signs of COVID-19 before leaving home **every day**. Parents must ensure they do not send a child to school on a campus if the child has COVID-19 symptoms, been exposed to someone with COVID-19, or is test-confirmed with COVID-19.



## Face Coverings

All students in third through twelfth grade and all GCISD staff members are required to wear a face mask or a face covering while at school or on a GCISD bus. Students in pre-kindergarten through second grade must wear a face covering in specific areas designated by the campus protocols and are strongly encouraged to wear it throughout the day.



## Social Distancing

All students and staff must adhere to social distancing guidelines when feasible. This may not be feasible in all classes and grade levels, which is why it is important to wear a face covering and follow additional safety protocols.



## Cleaning/Sanitizing/Disinfecting

**Electrostatic Misters** will be deployed to every campus to increase the efficiency of building sanitation. Touchpoints or high-touch items and surfaces will be cleaned regularly throughout the day. Restrooms will be disinfected three times during the school day and every evening. Students in Pre-K through fifth grade will have three-sided shields that are portable.



## Hand Washing/Sanitizer Stations

GCISD staff will promote rigorous and proper handwashing and the use of hand sanitizing stations that will be available throughout our buildings.



## Volunteers and Visitors

GCISD is limiting the number of visitors on campus. When possible, meetings are encouraged to take place over the phone or via webex. All visitors must wear a face covering when on campuses. Visitors must submit to a health screening prior to entering the campus, wear a mask and adhere to social distancing guidelines.















## Transportation

Due to the close proximity of students that ride buses, we are requiring all of our drivers and students to wear masks while on the bus and at bus stops. Students that cannot wear face coverings may not ride the bus and will need alternate transportation. Buses will be disinfected multiple times a day.



# Face Masks

Face masks reduce the risk of asymptomatic and presymptomatic transmission, or transmission among those who are infected but are not yet showing any symptoms.

Asymptomatic COVID-19 Carrier	Uninfected Person	Chance of Transmission
		Very High
		High
		Medium
		Low
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		Virtually None



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# Daily Routine: Before School

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, our daily routines will be different. Our routines will now include important daily health self-screenings for students and staff **before arriving on campus**.



## Before arriving to your campus

- **Complete your daily health screening** - Parents and employees are required to complete a health screening every morning prior to reporting to school or work. If a student demonstrates ANY new or worsening signs and symptoms of COVID-19, they **must stay home**. Additionally, if the symptomatic student has any siblings that attend GCISD schools, they must also stay home.
- **Don't forget your mask** - Students in third through twelfth grade will wear face coverings at all times while at school unless there is an approved medical exemption as a result of 504 or an ARD. It is recommended that students in pre-kindergarten through second grade wear a mask at all times and will be required in transitions, common areas and mixed cohort groups. Masks will also be required for pre-k through second grade if the student leaves their personal space in the classroom.



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# When can I send my student back to school?

## **My student is showing symptoms of COVID-19**

You can send your student back to school when one of the following three criteria have been met:

Alternative diagnosis from a physician

Proof of a Negative COVID-19 Test

- Fever free for 24 hours
- Improvement in symptoms
- At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared

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## **My student tested positive for COVID-19, but has no symptoms**

You can send your student back to school after the following has occurred:

10 days have passed since the date of the test

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## **My student has been in close contact with a person who tested positive for COVID-19**

You can send your student back to school after the following has occurred:

It is important to remember that anyone who has had close contact with someone with COVID-19 should stay home for 14 days after exposure according to the CDC. Any family member, student or employee who is quarantined is not permitted on campus and should not attend any in-person events or activities. You will receive a call from Health Services at the end of the quarantine period. If your student has not developed any symptoms of COVID-19, they will be released to come back to campus.

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## **My student has been in close contact with a person who tested negative for COVID-19, but who had symptoms**

If a person has symptoms, but has tested negative for COVID-19, then that individual and all of the close contacts may return to school or work.



