



Coral Academy of Science Las Vegas

2022 Covid-19 Mitigation Plan

Per Directive 052

On-Campus Testing Program

Weekly On-Campus PCR Tests

Each campus is required to have a testing program vendor visit each week on a designated day and time that is consistent. The testing program tests all unvaccinated staff.

On top of that, any vaccinated staff, students, and their families may visit the campus to test. Each person who tests must register beforehand.

Getting Results

The testing vendor provides a report of all results to campus leadership. Each person also receives their own results.

Campus leadership notifies the Director of Operations and Executive Director of any positive results. This is then reported to the Southern Nevada Health District.

Contact Tracing

For any student and/or staff that has tested positive for Covid-19, school leadership will conduct an investigation. In the investigation, they will determine which people were in close contact with the positive individual. They can also determine who are exempt close contacts.

The principal will connect with the Director of Operations. The principal will share the names of close contacts, their contact information, and parent information if the close contact is a student.

From there, the Director will contact the Southern Nevada Health District. At that point in time, the length of quarantine will be determined for any close contacts.

Quarantine & Isolation

Any person in isolation will be out of school for the recommended time as provided by the CDC (currently 5 days when submitted). The person will follow all recommendations as needed upon their return too.

For any people in quarantine, they must follow all CDC recommendations too.

Each campus will track days in quarantine/isolation and know the return date. They will be in contact with families as needed.

Any student in quarantine & isolation will receive remote instruction, as provided by their teacher(s). There should be daily contact between the student and teacher(s).

Outbreaks

Definition

An outbreak is defined as three or more positive cases in one classroom.

Outbreaks will be preliminarily determined by campus leadership. They will be the ones to notify the Central Office, and then the Director of Operations will notify the Southern Nevada Health District. The SNHD will be the main entity to confirm the status of an outbreak.

If an outbreak takes place in a classroom, the entire classroom will be in quarantine and will receive remote instruction through the remainder of the quarantine period.

Monitoring

Campus leadership tracks all incidents of Covid-19 for staff and students. For example, they know when a student is in quarantine due to a source from outside of school. When they see that a classroom has at least three cases, that raises a red flag for an outbreak.

During an outbreak, campus leadership will check in with families to see the progress of each student. This is to check the health status of all students and their learning progress. Any students showing symptoms would be advised to take a PCR test.

After the recommended quarantine period is over, campus leadership will connect with the SNHD to confirm if the classroom can come back to in-person learning. If they can, campus leadership will then do routine walkthroughs of the class to ensure that the class is following mitigation measures and have proper face coverings on.

Communication

After confirming the status of an outbreak, campus leadership will notify the main stakeholders:

- Students
- Staff
- Families

All external communication for all facets of an outbreak (initial notification, updates, etc.) will be done by mass communications - emails, phone calls, and text messages.

Mitigation Measures

Campus leadership will make sure that the school is following measures that have been in place since the beginning of the pandemic, such as social distancing and self-screening. The campus will continue promoting these measures to ensure another outbreak does not occur.

More measures can be reviewed in the 'Health and Safety on Campus' section.

Face Coverings

Future Mandates

If face coverings become mandated for whatever reason, CASLV will ensure that anyone stepping onto campus has a face covering on.

Ultimately, CASLV will follow the guidance of the CDC, SNHD, and SPCSA for guidelines requiring face coverings.

Optional on Campus

Students, staff, and visitors may choose to wear a face covering on campus if they choose to.

Whatever the choice may be, one will be respected for their decision. There is zero tolerance for any disrespect of one's choice to wear a face covering or to not wear a face covering.

If a person needs a new face covering, our campuses will have face coverings readily available for anyone who wants one.

Proper Face Coverings

If a person chooses to wear a face covering, the face covering should:

- Have two or more layers of washable, breathable fabric
- Completely cover your nose, mouth, and chin
- Fit snugly against the sides of your face and don't have gaps
- No have any exhalation valves or vents which allow virus particles to escape

Returning from Isolation

Any person returning from isolation due to a positive Covid-19 test result must wear a face covering for the next five days at all times (indoors & outdoors) except when eating.

Some of our students may not be able to wear a mask or face covering due to medical reasons. A doctor's note must be provided by a medical physician on their letterhead.

IEP/504 students may not be required to wear masks based on individual needs. Campus leadership will consult with families before making a decision.

Returning from an Outbreak

To prevent a recurrence of an outbreak, any students and staff that were just quarantined due to being in a classroom identified as having an outbreak must wear a face covering for the next five days at all times (indoors & outdoors) except when eating.

Health and Safety on Campus

Social Distancing & Capacity

CASLV will follow the guidance of the CDC, SNHD, and SPCSA when it comes to social distancing requirements and room capacity limits. CASLV has measured each of its classrooms. It knows the full capacity limit and can adjust accordingly to any percentage.

Adults should be safely separated by 6 feet. Students should be distanced from each other by at least 3 feet.

Cohorting

CASLV utilizes cohorting whenever possible to minimize risk of transmission. Students in the same cohort are basically grouped together during instruction and in the lunchroom.

For example, if one student gets COVID-19 then the entire group containing that student will need to quarantine, and switch to remote learning for the quarantine period. However, if properly cohorted, other classes should not need to quarantine or face any disruption because there was no interaction with the sick individual's group.

Vaccination Access & Awareness

CASLV has and will continue to strongly encourage students, families and staff members to get their vaccinations if they are of age and health abides.

CASLV campuses will promote local vaccination sites to its staff and families.

Handwashing and Respiratory Etiquette

CASLV will continue to promote proper personal hygiene:

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth
- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Keep 6 feet of physical distance from others
- Avoid contact with others if within 6 feet
- Wear a cloth face mask covering in public
- Avoid traveling if you are sick
- Stay home if you are feeling ill
- Get medical care as needed

Each campus will have an abundance of signage promoting positive physical hygiene. For example, each restroom mirror will have a sticker reminding students to wash their hands for at least 20 seconds. These visual cues will be incredibly helpful, especially for visual learners.

In the event that a student may not be implementing safe and healthy hygiene practices, staff will re-educate the student and inform the student's parents.

Daily Self-Screening

Staff and students will self-screen their physical health. If any staff member or student is not feeling well and having any symptoms, that person will need to stay at home. They should only return to school when there are no remaining symptoms.

If a student or staff member chooses to go to school while ill (no matter the illness), they will not be allowed in the classroom. For students, the parent will be contacted to take the student home and will not be allowed to return until they are symptom-free. For staff, they cannot return until they are symptom-free.

In the event that a student or a staff member feels ill during the school day, they will be removed from the classroom. They will be asked relevant questions pertaining to their health and assessed by a staff member with a touchless thermometer. If it is determined that the student needs to be sent home, a parent will be contacted and their belongings will be gathered from the classroom for them. If it is determined that the staff member needs to be sent home, another staff member will cover their classroom/classes for the remainder of the day. They cannot return until they are symptom-free. A list of symptoms will be gathered from public health organizations.

If a student or staff member is diagnosed with a contagious or infectious disease, the person will be required to self-quarantine, and the Southern Nevada Health District will be contacted. CASLV will work in consultation with medical and public health experts, the State Public Charter School Authority, and the Nevada Department of Education to determine the extent of testing in the school and if a closure is necessary.

Cleaning, Sanitizing & Maintaining Healthy Facilities (including ventilation)

CASLV will make multiple adjustments to each campus' facilities to minimize the risk of COVID-19.

- Hand sanitizer pumps will be placed on walls in various locations throughout the campus.
- There is an increase in signage enforcing social distancing and healthy personal hygiene in hallways and classrooms.
- There are visual cues on the floor showing where to stand, wait, and move.
- There are decals in restrooms reminding individuals to wash their hands.
- Occupancy capacity signs are placed in each classroom.
- Desks will be arranged to be socially distanced. Desks will be marked to show which ones are assigned to which students. Students will remain in their seats at all times.
- Furniture that is difficult to clean will not be utilized or replaced.
- All air filters will be monitored and replaced as needed. HVAC vendors have serviced each campus' HVAC system more frequently in the past 12 months.
- All shared items, such as athletic balls, will be cleaned accordingly
- There will be limited use of the water fountain. Students and staff will be encouraged to bring their own water bottles

- Technology will be assigned to students as needed/requested
- All emergency plans will be adjusted to accommodate social distancing guidelines while maintaining the necessary safety, urgency and precaution

At each campus, staff will check the cleanliness of the campus to ensure a safe and health environment. All restrooms will be monitored regularly throughout the day to ensure cleanliness. High touch points, such as water fountains, sink heads, door knobs, and student desks, will be cleaned regularly by CASLV staff. Shared materials will be limited as much as possible, and they will be cleaned and sanitized after each use.

Each night, there will be daily detailed cleaning of facilities from Commercial Cleaning Services. The same vendor will perform a thorough deep sanitizing cleaning of each campus on Wednesday and Friday night. Commercial Cleaning Services uses these chemicals for sanitizing:

- Tribase Multipurpose Cleaner
- Biorenewables Glass Cleaner
- HDQC-2 Neutral Disinfectant Cleaner
- SparCreme Liquid Creme Cleanser

In the event of an outbreak, each school has been equipped with an electrostatic sprayer that will disinfectant on contact when used. After this has been used in a space, that area will be disinfected and suitable for occupancy.