



COVID 19 Mitigation

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INTRODUCTION

1. Purpose of the Plan

The purpose of this plan is to ensure that all staff, teachers, parents, students, police and first responders are aware of all procedures that the school will take in a mitigation plan for COVID 19.

During any emergency parents should not call the main school number but should call the teachers cell phone or the Executive Director's cell phone. Parents will be advised as quickly as possible what is occurring and how they can safely pick up their child if needed.

2. School Site and School population

Applied Scholastics Academy Las Vegas is a small private school that delivers to students in grades K-12. This school has a maximum enrollment of 50 K-12 students. There are currently six (6) staff members, three full time teachers: one each for the Elementary, Middle and High School Grades, a tutor, a specialty class instructor, and the Executive Director (ED).

The school is located at 7550 W. Alexander Road, Las Vegas, NV 89129 at the corner of Alexander Road and Buffalo Drive. Public parking is directly in front of the school, which has a curved driveway for ingress and egress. Staff parking is located to the left of the building behind a metal gate and fence.

3. HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS, COVID 19 Mitigation

Face Covering - Outbreak

The school will not require consistent use of face masks for students, staff, or visitors. However, should a school wide outbreak occur then all students, staff and visitors will be required to wear masks. The school will be closed for a period of 7 days and the interior and exterior undergo through disinfect and cleaning. The school will go to virtual learning for the isolation/quarantine period. All parents will be immediately notified of the decision to close the school. Once the isolation or quarantine period is concluded masks will be worn for a period of 5 days after the quarantine period. Once the school is reopened staff and student can return after a negative COVID test.

Masks will be utilized in accordance with State of Nevada guidelines. No non-essential visitors will be allowed on site.

Vaccination

Information on COVID 19 vaccinations is always available and can also be checked at the CDC website and SNHD. Parents will advise the school if the student has been vaccinated and will provide proof of vaccination.

Testing

Anyone with COVID/flu like symptoms should get a COVID 19 test and stay home for 72 hours after symptoms resolve. Anyone who has been in contact with someone with COVID 19, will be required to get a test and provide the name of the person, if tests are negative the student can return to school. All incidents of COVID 19 are reported to SNHD and CDC quarantine and isolation is put in place.

Reports will be email to schoolcovid@snhd.org or 702-759-1300.

Quarantine

Quarantine is a strategy used to prevent transmission of COVID-19 by keeping people who have been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 apart from others.

Who does not need to quarantine?

If you had close contact with someone with COVID-19 and you are in one of the following groups, you **do not need to quarantine**.

- You are up to date with your COVID-19 vaccines.
- You had confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days (meaning you tested positive using a viral test).

You should wear a well-fitting mask around others for 10 days from the date of your last close contact with someone with COVID-19 (the date of last close contact is considered day 0). Get tested at least 5 days after you last had close contact with someone with COVID-19. If you test positive or develop COVID-19 symptoms, isolate from other people and follow recommendations in the Isolation section below. If you tested positive for COVID-19 with a viral test within the previous 90 days and subsequently recovered and remain without COVID-19 symptoms, you do not need to quarantine or get tested after close contact. You should wear a well-fitting mask around others for 10 days from the date of your last close contact with someone with COVID-19 (the date of last close contact is considered day 0).

Who should quarantine?

If you come into close contact with someone with COVID-19, you should quarantine if you are not up to date on COVID-19 vaccines. This includes people who are not vaccinated.

What to do for quarantine

- Stay home and away from other people for at least 5 days (day 0 through day 5) after your last contact with a person who has COVID-19. The date of your exposure is considered day 0. Wear a well-fitting mask when around others at home, if possible.
- For 10 days after your last close contact with someone with COVID-19, watch for fever (100.4°F or greater), cough, shortness of breath, or other COVID-19 symptoms.
- If you develop symptoms, get tested immediately and isolate until you receive your test results. If you test positive, follow isolation recommendations.
- If you do not develop symptoms, get tested at least 5 days after you last had close contact with someone with COVID-19.
 - If you test negative, you can leave your home, but continue to wear a well-fitting mask when around others at home and in public until 10 days after your last close contact with someone with COVID-19.
 - If you test positive, you should isolate for at least 5 days from the date of your positive test (if you do not have symptoms). If you do develop COVID-19 symptoms, isolate for at least 5 days from the date your symptoms began (the date the symptoms started is day 0). Follow recommendations in the isolation section below.

- If you are unable to get a test 5 days after last close contact with someone with COVID-19, you can leave your home after day 5 if you have been without COVID-19 symptoms throughout the 5-day period. Wear a well-fitting mask for 10 days after your date of last close contact when around others at home and in public.
- Avoid people who are immunocompromised or at high risk for severe disease, and nursing homes and other high-risk settings, until after at least 10 days.
- If possible, stay away from people you live with, especially people who are at higher risk for getting very sick from COVID-19, as well as others outside your home throughout the full 10 days after your last close contact with someone with COVID-19.
- If you are unable to quarantine, you should wear a well-fitting mask for 10 days when around others at home and in public.
- If you are unable to wear a mask when around others, you should continue to quarantine for 10 days. Avoid people who are immunocompromised or at high risk for severe disease, and nursing homes and other high-risk settings, until after at least 10 days.
- See additional information about travel.
- Do not go to places where you are unable to wear a mask, such as restaurants and some gyms, and avoid eating around others at home and at work until after 10 days after your last close contact with someone with COVID-19.

After quarantine

- Watch for symptoms until 10 days after your last close contact with someone with COVID-19.
- If you have symptoms, isolate immediately and get tested.

Calculating Quarantine

The date of your exposure is considered day 0. **Day 1 is the first full day after your last contact with a person who has had COVID-19.** Stay home and away from other people for at least 5 days

Isolation

Isolation is used to separate people with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 from those without COVID-19. People who are in isolation should stay home until it's safe for them to be around others. At home, anyone sick or infected should separate from others, or wear a well-fitting mask when they need to be around others. People in isolation should stay in a specific "sick room" or area and use a separate bathroom if available. Everyone who has presumed or confirmed COVID-19 should stay home and isolate from other people for at least 5 full days (day 0 is the first day of symptoms or the date of the day of the positive viral test for asymptomatic persons). They should wear a mask when around others at home and in public for an additional 5 days. People who are confirmed to have COVID-19 or are showing symptoms of COVID-19 need to isolate regardless of their vaccination status. This includes:

- People who have a positive viral test for COVID-19, regardless of whether or not they have symptoms.
- People with symptoms of COVID-19, including people who are awaiting test results or have not been tested. People with symptoms should isolate even if they do not know if they have been in close contact with someone with COVID-19.

What to do for isolation

- Monitor your symptoms. If you have an emergency warning sign (including trouble breathing), seek emergency medical care immediately.
- Stay in a separate room from other household members, if possible.
- Use a separate bathroom, if possible.
- Take steps to improve ventilation at home, if possible.
- Avoid contact with other members of the household and pets.
- Don't share personal household items, like cups, towels, and utensils.
- Wear a well-fitting mask when you need to be around other people.

Ending isolation for people who had COVID-19 and had symptoms

If you had COVID-19 and had symptoms, isolate for at least 5 days. To calculate your 5-day isolation period, day 0 is your first day of symptoms. Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed. You can leave isolation after 5 full days.

- You can end isolation after 5 full days if you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and your other symptoms have improved (Loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation).
- You should continue to wear a well-fitting mask around others at home and in public for 5 additional days (day 6 through day 10) after the end of your 5-day isolation period. If you are unable to wear a mask when around others, you should continue to isolate for a full 10 days. Avoid people who are immunocompromised or at high risk for severe disease, and nursing homes and other high-risk settings, until after at least 10 days.
- If you continue to have fever or your other symptoms have not improved after 5 days of isolation, you should wait to end your isolation until you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and your other symptoms have improved. Continue to wear a well-fitting mask. Contact your healthcare provider if you have questions.
- See CDC site for additional information about travel.
- Do not go to places where you are unable to wear a mask, such as restaurants and some gyms, and avoid eating around others at home and at work until a full 10 days after your first day of symptoms.

If an individual has access to a test and wants to test, the best approach is to use an antigen test towards the end of the 5-day isolation period. Collect the test sample only if you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and your other symptoms have improved (loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation). If your test result is positive, you should continue to isolate until day 10. If your test result is negative, you can end isolation, but continue to wear a well-fitting mask around others at home and in public until day 10. Follow additional recommendations for masking and avoiding travel as described above.

Ending isolation for people who tested positive for COVID-19 but had no symptoms

If you test positive for COVID-19 and never develop symptoms, isolate for at least 5 days. Day 0 is the day of your positive viral test (based on the date you were tested) and day 1 is the first full day after the specimen was collected for your positive test. You can leave isolation after 5 full days.

- If you continue to have no symptoms, you can end isolation after at least 5 days.
- You should continue to wear a well-fitting mask around others at home and in public until day 10 (day 6 through day 10). If you are unable to wear a mask when around others, you should continue

to isolate for 10 days. Avoid people who are immunocompromised or at high risk for severe disease, and nursing homes and other high-risk settings, until after at least 10 days.

- If you develop symptoms after testing positive, your 5-day isolation period should start over. Day 0 is your first day of symptoms. Follow the recommendations above for ending isolation for people who had COVID-19 and had symptoms.
- See additional information about travel.
- Do not go to places where you are unable to wear a mask, such as restaurants and some gyms, and avoid eating around others at home and at work until 10 days after the day of your positive test.

If an individual has access to a test and wants to test, the best approach is to use an antigen test¹ towards the end of the 5-day isolation period. If your test result is positive, you should continue to isolate until day 10. If your test result is negative, you can end isolation, but continue to wear a well-fitting mask around others at home and in public until day 10. Follow additional recommendations for masking and avoiding travel as described above.

Other Mitigation measures

Training

All staff are trained on health and safety procedures and will ensure that students understand them.

Healthy Hygiene

All appropriate signs are posted regarding hand washing, sanitizing etc. Students will be reminded daily of these rules and booklets available for the students to take home with them.

Hand Sanitizer stations are available both inside the school and on the playground.

Adequate supplies of soap, sanitizer, paper towels, tissues, and no touch trash cans are available.

Entrance protocol for students, teachers, and visitors.

During an *outbreak**, there will be thermometer checks at each entry and no one with a fever will be allowed into the school. All checks are logged on a daily basis and the logs kept in the Emergency Operations Binder at the front entrance.

Classroom set up

All classrooms have been reconfigured to give the required distance of 3 feet in Kindergarten through High School. A revised evacuation map has been created and is attached to this plan.

Cleaning

During school hours, all cleaning products will be kept in the locked cleaning closet in the bathroom by the reception area. Surfaces will be cleaned regularly.

The facilities will be cleaned each day after school ensuring that the high touch areas are addressed. A professional cleaner does a weekly deep clean on the weekend. A specific air purifier will be run each evening and a deep cleaning of facilities done weekly, with Decon 7*

Illness

The call-in procedures are that parents must call in if their student displays symptoms and keep the student home. Anyone with flu like symptoms must stay home, get a COVID test and cannot return to school until 72 hours after the symptoms have resolved. If exposed to COVID 19, a test is required, if negative, the student can return to school.

If a student or staff member becomes ill while at school, they will be isolated in the Executive office until they can be picked up from school. The space will then be thoroughly sanitized. All items that could have been contaminated will be cleaned and sanitized or disposed. If needed substitute teachers are trained and available.

Snack and lunch times

Students bring their snacks and lunches with them each day. Snacks and lunch will be eaten at the student's desk.

Athletics & Extra Curricular Activities

The school does not have any extracurricular activities at this time and all athletics are in PE instruction during school time.

4. Continuity of Operations During a Shutdown

In the event of another shut down, all teachers and administrators will be available to continue the education of the students. The plan depends on the severity of the emergency and can be traditional school, hybrid – both face-to-face and online, and all online learning.

Definitions:***Outbreak**

At least three confirmed COVID-19 cases within a 14-day period in students in the school, who are from different households, and are not identified as close contacts of each other in any other case investigation.

Incident:

An incident is an occurrence – natural, technological, or human-caused – that requires a response to protect life or property. The Executive Director/Principal shall have the authority to determine when an incident has occurred and to implement the procedures within this Emergency Operations Plan.

Hazards:

Hazards shall include situations involving threats of harm to students, personnel, and/or facilities. Hazards include but are not limited to natural, technological, and human-caused incidents. Hazards may require an interagency response involving law enforcement and/or emergency services agencies depending on the size and scope of the incident.

***DECON 7**

The original formula on which D7 was based was created through funding granted by the Department of Energy in Sandia Laboratories in New Mexico. Utilizing cutting-edge developments in chemical science, D7 capitalizes on the natural cleaning power of hydrogen peroxide, penetrating and disarming toxins at a molecular level. This specialized formula penetrates and eliminates pathogenic bacteria, sanitizing down to the molecular level to prevent future outbreaks.

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