



# **The Blueprint for Cityscape Schools Safe Return to School**

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Cityscape Schools' priority continues to remain the health and safety of our students, staff, and their families. Cityscape is implementing various precautions and protocols for the 2021-22 school year in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Some protocols may be subject to change based on updated guidance from the state of Texas, public health authorities, or changing conditions in Dallas County.

## **HEALTH PRECAUTIONS**

- Currently, Cityscape is complying with Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkin's order for K3 – 12 grade schools, which mandates masks to be worn for all staff, students, and visitors, regardless of their vaccination status. This order is in effect till further notice.
- All adults and students are expected to self-screen and screen their children for symptoms of illness before coming to campus or district offices each day. Cityscape will not have daily screening protocols for the 2021-22 school year.
- Students and parents are expected to stay home and report to their campus if they have COVID-19 symptoms, tested positive for COVID-19, or been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. Similarly, Cityscape employees are expected to report to Human Resources ([hr@cityscapeschools.org](mailto:hr@cityscapeschools.org)) and their direct supervisor for any of the reasons mentioned above.
- Cityscape will monitor positive cases within schools, programs, and facilities. It will collaborate with Dallas County Health Department in all decisions that could potentially require closing classrooms and schools. Parents and staff will continue to be updated based on the changing environment.
- Cityscape will remain transparent and report all known cases of COVID-19 to the online COVID-19 Positive Cases dashboard ([www.cityscapeschools.org](http://www.cityscapeschools.org)).

## **SAFETY PROTOCOLS**

- Acrylic desk shields will be on every desk and cafeteria table.
- Increased ventilation and HVAC air filtering where possible in classrooms and indoor common areas.
- Increased cleaning of surfaces and common areas.
- Encourage and allow additional time for handwashing and hand sanitizing.
- Students and staff are encouraged to bring their own reusable water bottle(s) for use throughout the day and take water bottles home to be cleaned daily.
- Cityscape staff and students will social distance when possible.
- Parents and visitors will only be allowed inside a campus building by appointment only, and only in designated areas of the campus that have minimal interaction with students.

## MISSING SCHOOL

- Students or staff who are symptomatic, exposed, or are positive for COVID-19 may not participate in face-to-face school activities until cleared to return under CDC guidelines. Under the direction of the Chief Operating Officer (COO), campus administration will evaluate each positive student case and Human Resources will evaluate each positive employee case and (ultimately) provide a return to school or work date.
- Students who miss school due to COVID-19 or quarantine will be able to keep up with assignments and make up work at home through remote learning, **not to exceed 20 days**.
- Any student or family needing Internet access can notify their school to check out a Cityscape hotspot.

## COVID-19 VACINATIONS

- Eligible students (12+) and staff are **strongly** encouraged to get vaccinated to protect themselves against COVID-19.
- If a child has been vaccinated, parents are requested to send a copy of the vaccine card to the campus nurse so the information can be included with the student's records.
- According to CDC guidelines, Cityscape staff and students who are fully vaccinated are not considered as a close contact to any COVID-19 positive cases at school or at home. People who are vaccinated and have a known exposure to someone with COVID-19 should get tested three to five days after exposure and wear a mask for two weeks or until receiving a negative test result.
- Vaccines for adults and students (aged 12+) are free and readily available at pharmacies, many area healthcare providers, and through the [COVID-19 Vaccine Information \(texas.gov\)](#) link.