

# SY 2021-2022 Return to School Plan

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# Clyde CISD 2021-2022 School Year

The district will continually update this document when new guidance is released from the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and state and federal health experts regarding on-campus instruction this school year. All of the proposed protocols and procedures are subject to change based on state and county guidance for schools.

Clyde CISD will continue to follow any requirements that is issued by our state and federal agencies. At this time, we are planning for a more typical school year compared to what we experienced last year. While there will still be some practices that we will continue in an effort to minimize any health concerns, the 21-22 school year should look much more normal.

Texas Education Agency Guidance used to develop this plan can be found at:

SY 21-22 Public Health Planning Guidance

### On-Campus Activities and Instruction

Our Return to School plan provides all requirements outlined by the Texas Education Agency. This plan will be posted on our website at <a href="www.clydeisd.org">www.clydeisd.org</a> at least one week prior to the start of on-campus activities and instruction for the 2021-2022 school year.

Clyde CISD has designated our district nurse, Holly Copher, as the point of contact for responding to any kind of illness or spread of illnesses. You may contact Mrs. Copher at 325-893-4222 or email her at hcopher@clydeisd.org.

#### **UIL Guidance**

# 2021-2022 UIL COVID-19 Risk Mitigation Guidelines

#### Updated June 5, 2021

School Health Operations Requirements The guidance in this document is authorized by Executive Order GA-34, which has the effect of state law under Section 418.012 of the Texas Government Code. Executive Order GA-34 provides TEA with the legal authority to publish requirements for the operation of public school systems during the COVID-19 pandemic. This document takes effect June 5, 2021, replacing all prior guidance. These guidelines for all UIL activities are in addition to guidance issued by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and intended to be implemented along with TEA guidance, which applies to academic and extracurricular non-UIL activities. UIL recommends that public school systems consult with their local public health authorities and local legal counsel before making final decisions regarding the implementation of this guidance.

#### **UIL Guidance**

#### Required Actions if Individuals with Test-Confirmed Cases Have Been in a School

- 1. If an individual who has been in areas where UIL activities are being conducted is test-confirmed to have COVID-19, the school must notify its local health department, in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations, including confidentiality requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- 2. Upon receipt of information that any teacher, staff member, student, or visitor in an area where UIL activities have been conducted is test-confirmed to have COVID-19, the school must submit a report to the Texas Department of State Health Services via an online form. The report must be submitted each Monday for the prior seven days (Monday-Sunday).

Health and Hygiene Practices: Masks Per GA-36, school systems cannot require students or staff to wear a mask. GA-36 addresses government-mandated face coverings in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Other authority to require protective equipment, including masks, in an employment setting is not necessarily affected by GA-36. School systems must allow individuals to wear a mask if they choose to do so.

### Attendance and Enrollment

### School Year Calendar and Bell Schedules

### Clyde CISD SY 21-22 Calendar

Campus	First Bell	Dismissal Bell
Clyde HS (grades 9-12)	7:55 a.m.	3:45 p.m.
Clyde JH (grades 6-8)	7:55 a.m.	3:45 p.m.
Clyde Intermediate (grades 3-5)	7:55 a.m.	3:40 p.m.
Clyde Elementary (grades PK-2)	7:55 a.m.	3:40 p.m.

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### Attendance and Enrollment

- Per Texas Education Code (TEC), 25.092, students must attend 90% of the days a course is offered (with some exceptions) in order to be awarded credit for the course and/or to be promoted to the next grade.
- All students will be required to attend school in-person to receive credit in accordance with TEC 25.092.

# PREVENT: Practices to Prevent the Virus from Entering the School

### Individuals Confirmed or Suspected with COVID-19

- Individuals who are vaccinated and exposed will not have to guarantine unless they develop symptoms.
- Regardless of vaccination, students, faculty and staff who test positive or are exposed should notify their campus nurse.
  Clyde CISD nursing staff will provide guidance for those who have been exposed or are experiencing symptoms.

# PREVENT: Practices to Prevent the Virus from Entering the School

### Individuals Confirmed or Suspected with COVID-19

Required Actions if Individuals with Test-Confirmed Cases Have Been in a School

- 1. If an individual who has been in a school is test-confirmed to have COVID-19, the school must notify its local health department, in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations, including confidentiality requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).
- 2. Upon receipt of information that any teacher, staff member, student, or visitor at a school is test-confirmed to have COVID-19, the school must submit a report to the Texas Department of State Health Services via an online form. The report must be submitted each Monday for the prior seven days(Monday-Sunday).

# PREVENT: Practices to Prevent Illness and Spread

## Persons Exhibiting Symptoms or Who Are III

- Students, employees and visitors should not come to school if they are ill or exhibiting symptoms of illness.
- Students and employees must be fever free for at least 24 hours (no medication) before returning to school.
- Students and employees should report to the nurse if they begin exhibiting symptoms or feel ill after arriving to school.
- Areas on campus where a confirmed ill individual has been will be thoroughly sanitized to help prevent any further spread.

# MITIGATE: Practices to Mitigate the Likelihood of COVID-19 Spread

## Health and Hygiene Practices: Masks Per GA-36

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School systems must allow individuals to wear a mask if they choose to do so.

## MITIGATE: Practices to Mitigate the Likelihood of COVID-19 Spread

### Health and Hygiene Practices: General

- Clyde CISD will clean and sanitize on a regular basis throughout the school year.
- Increased sanitation will occur when an illness is identified on our campuses.
- Regular handwashing and use of hand sanitizer will be encouraged throughout the school year.