



Temple Christian School Plan 2020-2021

After consulting with medical professionals, CDC guidelines, AAP guidelines, TEA and stakeholders, the administrative staff of TCS has developed the following guidelines for the upcoming school year.

- Acceptable Face Coverings – cloth masks, bandanas, neck gaiters, face shields, disposable masks
- Social Distancing – Maintaining 3 – 6 feet of distance between people
- Close contact – *see full definition below*
- These policies are subject to change at any time.
- The orders of the Gov. of Texas will supersede any policy that TCS has put into place.

CATEGORY	Green – Return to normal operation.	Yellow – Families may choose between on-campus learning, hybrid learning, or distance learning. In hybrid learning, a student will attend class on campus MWF one week than T-Th the next week. While at home, the student will login to class using Google Meet (similar to Zoom) and participate remotely. Complete distance learners will login to Google Meet daily.	Orange – Temple will move to orange plan if conditions worsen in the general population and/or there are multiple confirmed cases on campus. While operating under orange, all yellow precautions will be followed. Additions are listed below.	Red – Temple will move to a red plan if there is a significant number of cases on campus or if mandated for private schools by the governor. All students would receive instruction via distance learning from home.
Arrival and Dismissal		Elementary <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parents must take temperature of student and screen for Covid-19 symptoms each morning before		

		<p>dropping at school (see “Screening” guidelines below).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drop off between 7:30 and 8:00 in front of elementary building. Parents are asked to stay in the car. Parents of Pre-K, Kindergarten and new students may enter the building on the first day of class. • Parents will drive through the car line to pick up. Teachers will call students and place them in the car. • Please remain in your car for drop off and pick up. • Students go directly to their homeroom class at 7:30, or upon arrival. <p>Secondary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents must take temperature of student and screen for Covid-19 symptoms each morning before dropping at school (see “Screening” guidelines below). • Middle school will go to the cafeteria at 3:15 if not picked up at 3:10. Students will be socially distanced, with masks, at assigned tables. SASS will begin at 4:00. • High school will go directly from SST to SASS in the cafeteria at 4:00 if not picked up. 		
Prevention		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hand soap and sanitizer will be provided in multiple locations in and outside of classrooms. • Signs will be posted for hand washing and disease spread prevention. • Teach proper hygiene including 20 second hand washing. • Visitors are discouraged and limited to immediate family members. All visitors will have temperatures checked upon arrival. • Teachers and staff will have temperature checks each morning and will be screened for Covid -19 symptoms. • Parents must take temperature of student and screen for Covid-19 symptoms each morning before 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No visitors on campus. 	

		<p>dropping at school (see “Screening” guidelines below).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Desks in classrooms will be placed as far apart as possible (3 to 6 feet). • Students will be instructed to social distance as much as possible. • Lockers will not be assigned. • Water fountains will not be in operation. Students will need to bring their own water bottles. • Health room for secondary students will be in the secondary office, with the exception of fever or other Covid symptoms. Students with fever or symptoms will go to the Health Room in the elementary building. • Students that present with a temperature of 100.0 or above will be isolated and parents will be contacted to pick up children immediately. 		
PPE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face coverings upon arrival and dismissal from school for all students and faculty/staff. • All students and staff will wear a face covering in the classroom unless it is possible to socially distance (desks 6 feet apart or more). • All visitors must wear masks on campus. • Elementary students will not be required to wear masks in their classrooms or at recess. • Teachers and students will wear face coverings in common areas and during passing periods. • Parents may require their own student to wear a face covering at all times. • Students who have a medical condition which excuses them from wearing a mask should have proper documentation. • TCS will provide disposable masks to students who forget to bring one to school. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face covering required for students in secondary and staff at all times. 	

Chapel		<p>Elementary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapel will be live steamed into classrooms. <p>Secondary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapel will be live streamed into classrooms. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapel will only be live streamed. 	
Lunch		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will be assigned 3 to a table. Tables will be sanitized after each lunch period by staff members using commercial grade sanitizer. 		
Transitions		<p>Elementary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will wear masks while walking in halls and to the lunch room. <p>Secondary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers will dismiss individual rows one at a time to keep students from crowding. The secondary office doors will remain locked and students will be admitted two at a time, as space allows. People waiting outside the office will remain socially distanced. Students will always enter the west (gym doors by the parking lot.) and exit the east doors. At the North end of the gym (concession stand) student will go up using the west staircase and down using the east staircase. These will be marked using arrows. At the South end of the gym (bathrooms) students will go up the west staircase and down the east staircase. Students will not be permitted to loiter on the balcony at the north end of the gym or the landing on the south end of the gym. Computer lab stairs will be up the right - side and down the right- side following traffic rules. Students will always walk on the right side of sidewalks (just like we drive). 		

Bathrooms		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will be permitted to use bathrooms as usual. 700 bathrooms are to be used by students in the portables and the 300 building. Gym bathrooms will be used by students in the 700 building and the gym. Cafeteria bathrooms will be used by art, computer and library. Elementary students will use the bathroom in the elementary hall, unless they are outside. Teachers will then monitor student use of bathrooms in the 700 building. Bathrooms will be sanitized and cleaned every hour or more often as needed. 		
Playground		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elementary classes will be assigned playground times one class at a time. High touch areas will be sanitized between uses. 		
Instruction		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students may receive instruction in person, from home or as a hybrid. Teachers will use Google Classroom to post lessons and resources for students during remote or hybrid instruction. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All secondary students will move to an A/B hybrid schedule where only 50% of students would be on campus at a time. 	

Close Contact

This document refers to “close contact” with an individual who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19. The definition of close contact is evolving with our understanding of COVID-19, and individual scenarios should be determined by an appropriate public health agency. In general, close contact is defined as:

- a. being directly exposed to infectious secretions (e.g. being coughed on); or
- b. being within 6 feet for a cumulative duration of 15 minutes; however, additional factors like case/contact masking (i.e., both the infectious individual and the potential close contact have been consistently and properly masked), ventilation, presence of dividers, and case symptomology may affect this determination.

Either (a) or (b) defines close contact if it occurred during the infectious period of the case, defined as two days prior to symptom onset to 10 days after symptom onset. In the case of asymptomatic individuals who are lab-confirmed with COVID-19, the infectious period is defined as two days prior to the confirming lab test and continuing for 10 days following the confirming lab test.

Screening

All individuals coming onto campus are required to self-screen each day before coming to campus.

A person shall not come to school under any circumstances if he/she displays any one of the following:

- A body temperature of 100 degrees or higher any time in the previous 24 hours.
- Persistent cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
- Chills
- Loss of taste or smell

Or, any two of the following:

- Body ache
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Runny nose or congestion

Any individuals who themselves either:

(a) are lab-confirmed to have COVID-19; or

(b) experience the symptoms of COVID-19 (listed below) must stay at home throughout the infection period, and cannot return to campus until the school system screens the individual to determine any of the below conditions for campus re-entry have been met:

- In the case of an individual who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to school when all three of the following criteria are met:
 - i. at least three days (72 hours) have passed since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications);
 - ii. the individual has improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and
 - iii. at least ten days have passed since symptoms first appeared.
- In the case of an individual who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and who is not evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, such individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to the campus until the individual has completed the same three-step set of criteria listed above. If the individual has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to school before completing the above stay at home period, the individual must either
 - obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis or

- obtain an acute infection test (at a physician's office, approved testing location, or other site) that comes back negative for COVID-19.
- Persons who test positive for COVID-19 but never develop COVID-19 symptoms (asymptomatic) may discontinue isolation and other precautions 10 days after the date of their first positive test.

Exposure to a positive case

At this time, we have limited information about reinfections with the virus that causes COVID-19. This is a new virus, and CDC is actively working to learn more. We will provide updates as they become available. Data to date show that a person who has had and recovered from COVID-19 may have low levels of virus in their bodies for up to 3 months after diagnosis. This means that if the person who has recovered from COVID-19 is retested within 3 months of initial infection, they may continue to have a positive test result, even though they are not spreading COVID-19.

There are no confirmed reports to date of a person being reinfected with COVID-19 within 3 months of initial infection. However, additional research is ongoing. Therefore, if a person who has recovered from COVID-19 has new symptoms of COVID-19, the person may need an evaluation for reinfection, especially if the person has had close contact with someone infected with COVID-19. The person should isolate and contact a healthcare provider to be evaluated for other causes of their symptoms, and possibly retested.

CDC recommends that all people, whether or not they have had COVID-19, take steps to prevent getting and spreading COVID-19. Wash hands regularly, stay at least 6 feet away from others whenever possible, and wear masks.

Quarantine is used to keep someone *who might have been exposed to COVID-19* away from others. Quarantine helps prevent spread of disease that can occur before a person knows they are sick or if they are infected with the virus without feeling symptoms. People in quarantine should stay home, separate themselves from others, monitor their health, and follow directions from their state or local health department.

Quarantine or isolation: What's the difference?

Quarantine keeps someone who might have been exposed to the virus away from others.

[Isolation](#) keeps someone who is infected with the virus away from others, even in their home.

Who needs to quarantine?

People who have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19—excluding people who have had COVID-19 within the past 3 months.

People who have tested positive for COVID-19 do not need to quarantine or get tested again for up to 3 months as long as they do not develop symptoms again. People who develop symptoms again within 3 months of their first bout of COVID-19 may need to be tested again if there is no other cause identified for their symptoms.

What counts as close contact?

- You were within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more
- You provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19

- You had direct physical contact with the person (hugged or kissed them)
- You shared eating or drinking utensils
- They sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you

Steps to take

Stay home and monitor your health

- Stay home for 14 days after your last contact with a person who has COVID-19
- Watch for fever (100.4°F), cough, shortness of breath, or [other symptoms](#) of COVID-19
- If possible, stay away from others, especially people who are at [higher risk](#) for getting very sick from COVID-19

When to start and end quarantine

You should stay home for 14 days after your last contact with a person who has COVID-19.

For all of the following scenarios, even if you test negative for COVID-19 or feel healthy, you should stay home (quarantine) since symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after exposure to the virus.

See scenarios below to determine when you can end quarantine and be around others.

Scenario 1: Close contact with someone who has COVID-19—will not have further close contact

I had close contact with someone who has COVID-19 and will not have further contact or interactions with the person while they are sick (e.g., co-worker, neighbor, or friend).

Your last day of quarantine is 14 days from the date you had close contact.

Date of last close contact with person who has COVID-19 + 14 days = end of quarantine

Scenario 2: Close contact with someone who has COVID-19—live with the person but can avoid further close contact

I live with someone who has COVID-19 (e.g., roommate, partner, family member), and that person has isolated by staying in a separate bedroom. I have had no close contact with the person since they isolated.

Your last day of quarantine is 14 days from when the person with COVID-19 began home isolation.

Date person with COVID-19 began home isolation + 14 days = end of quarantine

Scenario 3. Under quarantine and had additional close contact with someone who has COVID-19

I live with someone who has COVID-19 and started my 14-day quarantine period because we had close contact. What if I ended up having close contact with the person who is sick during my quarantine? What if another household member gets sick with COVID-19? Do I need to restart my quarantine?

Yes. You will have to restart your quarantine from the last day you had close contact with anyone in your house who has COVID-19. **Any time a new household member gets sick with COVID-19 and you had close contact, you will need to restart your quarantine.**

Date of additional close contact with person who has COVID-19 + 14 days = end of quarantine

Scenario 4: Live with someone who has COVID-19 and cannot avoid continued close contact

I live in a household where I cannot avoid close contact with the person who has COVID-19. I am providing direct care to the person who is sick, don't have a separate bedroom to isolate the person who is sick, or live in close quarters where I am unable to keep a physical distance of 6 feet.

You should avoid contact with others outside the home while the person is sick, and quarantine for 14 days after the person who has COVID-19 meets the [criteria to end home isolation](#).

Date the person with COVID-19 ends home isolation + 14 days = end of quarantine