

All Students Back on Campus



Fresno Unified School District



Beginning Thursday, August 12

School starts **AUGUST 12** and Fresno Unified is excited to welcome all students back full time and in person.

Students will return to campus for five full days of instruction, clubs and other extra-curricular activities, regular season athletics and extended learning opportunities. During the first semester, students will benefit from 30 extra minutes of instruction each day focused on building math and literacy skills. As part of the district's pandemic recovery plan, the Board of Education has invested in additional supports to help students achieve their greatest potential both in and outside the classroom.

Start Times:

School sites are communicating their specific bell schedules directly to families through their usual communication tools – School Messenger, Peachjar, website, and social media.

Check your student's school website and other engagement tools for the latest principal messages.

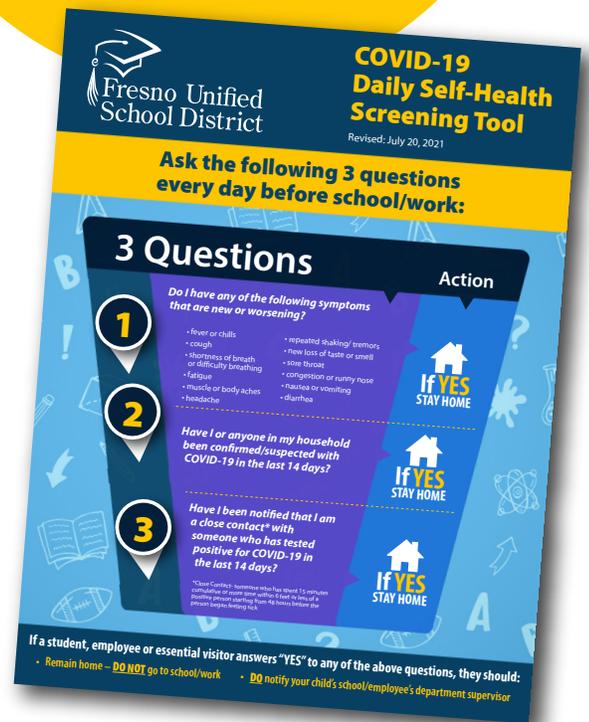


Health/ Safety Practices:*

- Student/staff use self-health screening prior to arrival, stay home if you are sick
- Masks required indoors and on buses
- Frequent hand washing/sanitizing
- Daily cleaning/disinfecting
- Increased classroom ventilation
- School-wide notification in the event of a confirmed COVID-19 case
- Routine athletic COVID testing for specific sports and any student identified as a close contact



* Health and safety guidelines are directed by the California Department of Public Health and the Fresno County Department of Public Health. For more information visit: K-12 Guidance 2021-22 School Year (<https://www.ca.gov>)



Looking for an Online Option?

Families can enroll in Fresno Unified's eLearn Academy. Programs include TK-6 online learning with a live teacher and an independent online program for students in grades 7-12 with regularly scheduled teacher connections. For families with students whose health would be put at risk by in-person instruction, as determined by the parent or guardian of the pupil, there is also an independent study option.



To learn more about these programs and how to enroll, contact 457-6139.



Masks

California Department of Public Health requires masks be worn indoors at K-12 schools regardless of vaccination status unless the individual has an authorized medical exemption. Masks are optional outdoors. Fresno Unified will treat all issues regarding masks as a violation of Ed Code 48900 (k). Visitors are required to wear masks and follow district safety practices.

Contact Tracing

School site health professionals will manage symptomatic students. Any positive cases will be directed to the district COVID Action Team (CAT) for contact tracing. Symptomatic or positive employees should be reported directly to the CAT team through the district's online submission form. The CAT team works with Human Resources, school administrators, Health Services, the local health department and families to ensure students/staff can safely return back to campus/work site.

Notification

In the event of a confirmed COVID-19 case on a campus or other district site, employees and families at that location will be notified within 24 hours. Notification will honor employee and student confidentiality and can be made by email, letter and/or phone message.

Staff Training and Family Education

As has been the district's practice during this pandemic, professional learning will be provided to staff. Information will be provided to parents through district communication channels, including phone messages, Peachjar flyers, the website, television public service announcements and school site engagement.

Close Contact

Defined as someone who has spent more than 15 minutes over a 24-hour period within 0-6 feet of a positive person indoors.

Quarantining Close Contacts (*Students*)

New for the 2021-22 school year, when both parties are wearing a mask in an indoor setting, a student who is a close contact (vaccinated or not) can undergo a modified 10-day quarantine and continue to attend school in-person if they:

1. Are asymptomatic
2. Continue to appropriately wear mask, as required
3. Undergo at least twice weekly testing during the 10-day quarantine (parent permission required)
4. Continue to quarantine from all extracurricular activities at school, including sports and activities in the community

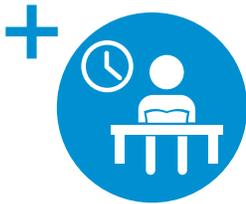
When an unvaccinated contact was not wearing a mask and the infected person was not wearing a mask during an indoor exposure, quarantining away from school will be necessary. A short-term at home learning option is available for students who are required to quarantine.

Quarantining Close Contacts (*Employees*)

Cal OSHA requires that any adult who is COVID positive or has been exposed at the workplace quarantine for 10 days. Exposed employees who are fully vaccinated and/or who have recovered from COVID-19 in the last 90 days and have no symptoms do not need to be quarantined.

Students will Return to Campus with Added Investments and Supports:

For more details visit <https://stafed.fresnounified.org/lcap/>



- Semester 1 – 30 additional minutes of instruction each day focused on math and literacy
- Semester 2 – 30 minutes targeted math/literacy support
- Updated social emotional learning curriculum for K-12
- Increased classroom ventilation upgrades



- Return of regular-season athletics, all student clubs, camps and field trips
- Expanded summer, winter and after-school programs
- Additional credit recovery opportunities
- Expanded supports for students who are English learners
- New enrichment opportunities, including middle and high school



- Added social emotional support staff, including counselors, social workers and psychologists
- Added nurses and expanded on-site health services
- Newly established "Wellness Hubs" for students and families
- Expanded mentoring and peer tutoring



For families who prefer to keep their student online, Fresno Unified offers TK-12 online learning through our eLearn Academy Online School. Please contact 457-6139 to learn more and enroll.