

George West Independent School District
Reopening GWISD Schools Plan
2020-2021 School Year

Health Screening and Prevention

- COVID Symptom Screening will be conducted for students and staff.
- Temperature checks will be conducted for students before boarding buses or entering buildings.
- Students or parents failing a COVID screening will **not** be allowed to enter a district building or bus.
- Parents will be contacted if students' temperature is 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher.
- Parents shall inform school when students or family members have symptoms.
- Staff Screening (Including self-screening, reporting and monitoring by administrator) will be conducted.
- Staff shall inform district when students or family members have symptoms.
- Appropriate protocols will be followed when symptoms are reported.
- [GWISD Covid-Exposure-Process-Map \(1\).pdf](#)
- Visitors to campuses will be limited to essential needs. Lunch visitors will not be permitted.
- All visitors will be screened for COVID symptoms and checked for temperature.
- Masks or face shields will be required for all staff. Students 10 years or older will be required to wear masks or face shields.

[Live Oak County Order Relating to COVID-19 0001.pdf](#)

- Hand sanitizer will be available at school entry and classrooms and intermittent handwashing will be practiced.

- Frequent Sanitizing and Cleaning by custodial staff

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/pdf/Reopening_America_Guidance.pdf

Screening Questions:

***Do you have COVID 19 symptoms?**

Have you had close contact with an individual who is lab-confirmed with COVID 19?

Instruction and Student Attendance

- ***Parents will select a method of instruction and notify the school (Face to Face or Remote Instruction) by July 31.***
- ***Email survey will be sent to all parents by school where they will make their selection.***
- ***Students will be responsible for daily attendance via face to face instruction at school or logging in and engaging and showing daily progress in remote instruction.***
- ***Regular grading guidelines will be followed (guidelines in effect as before COVID 19)***
- ***Live Classroom Instruction (face to face) will be available Monday through Friday.***
- ***Remote Instruction (Asynchronous, not live, or real time instruction that does not require the student and teacher to be engaged at the same time (i.e. Gradpoint, Study Island or another instructional program). Asynchronous instruction may include some live remote instruction or guidance as required by teacher)***
- ***Athletic activities and other extracurricular activities will be conducted in alignment with UIL/TEA Guidelines.***

Distancing/Grouping

- Desks three to six feet apart where possible and facing in one direction
- Cohorts of students with minimal transition where applicable and feasible
- Use of non-classroom spaces for instruction (i.e. gyms, cafeteria, libraries, labs, outdoor spaces)
- Supervised distancing outdoors
- Breakfast/Lunch in the classroom or “grab and go” meals.

Transportation

- **Parent Drop off and Pick up strongly encouraged to keep the number of students on a bus at a minimum and to ensure distancing as much as possible.**
- Separation on bus seating (to extent possible)
- Staggered bus routes may be necessary
- COVID Symptom Screening and temperature checks
- Parents will be contacted if students' temperature is 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher
- Hand sanitizer upon entry
- Buses thoroughly sanitized after each bus trip
- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/disinfecting-transport-vehicles.html>

District Response to Lab Confirmed Cases

- Cases in the district that are lab confirmed with COVID-19 will be reported to local health department in accordance with regulations and FERPA. Exposure Protocol will be followed.
 - [GWISD Covid-Exposure-Process-Map \(1\).pdf](#)
- Areas used by lab confirmed COVID-19 cases will be closed off and thoroughly disinfected.
- Teachers, staff, and families of all students will be notified.

District Contacts for COVID-19

Primary School	Mrs. Christina Cortez	361-449-1914 ext. 5
Elementary School	Mr. Omar De La Rosa	361-449-1914 ext. 4
Junior High School	Mrs. Ashley Lowe	361-449-1914 ext. 3
High School	Mr. Rick Waterhouse	361-449-1914 ext. 2
District	Mrs. Rachael Clayton	361-449-1914 ext. 1062
District	Dr. Roland Quesada	361-449-1914 ext. 1000

***Watch for COVID-19 symptoms**

People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear **2-14 days after exposure to the virus**. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

Fever or Chills	Cough	Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
Fatigue	Muscle or body aches	Headache
New loss of taste or smell	Sore throat	Congestion or runny nose
Nausea or vomiting	Diarrhea	

This list does not include all possible symptoms.