



Town East Christian School

COVID-19 Response Plan

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Basis: While we pray for our staff, students, and their families, we must take certain actions in the event of a suspected or positive COVID-19 case.

Bottom Line: We will endeavor to implement online learning for those who have tested positive with COVID-19 and those who are ill and/or recovering/quarantining from illness.

Confirmed with COVID-19

TECS will also notify all teachers, staff, and families of all students in the school if a lab-confirmed COVID-19 case is identified among students, teachers or staff on campus.

Confirmed Fever

Parents or guardians are expected to pick their child up as soon as possible if they develop a fever at school. Town East Christian Schools requires students with fever be excluded from school as per the following guidelines:

- **In the case** where a student is **diagnosed with COVID-19**, parents must notify the school immediately of the diagnosis. The student will engage in TECS online instruction for the period of school absence, usually ten days.
- **In the case** where a student tests negative for **COVID-19**, the student may return to school when both of the following criteria are met:
 - The student has improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath).
 - At least one day (24 hours) has passed since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications).
- **In the case** of a student who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and who is not evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, this student is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to the campus until the individual has completed the same two-step set of criteria listed above, and ten days have passed. The student will engage in TECS online instruction for the period of school absence.

Close Contact

It is defined as (a) *being directly exposed to infectious secretions* (e.g., being coughed on while not wearing a mask or face shield); or (b) *being within 6 feet for a cumulative duration of 15 minutes*, while not wearing a mask or face shield. If either occurred at any time in the last 10 days at the same time the infected individual was infectious, **individuals are presumed** infectious at least two days prior to symptom onset or, in the case of asymptomatic individuals who are lab-confirmed with COVID-19, two days prior to the confirming lab test.

- Students who have had close contact with someone who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19, will be required to stay at home through the 10-day incubation period. The student will engage in TECS online instruction for the period of school absence. TECS staff will screen student after incubation period is concluded. *The only exception is when a student has been cleared by a doctor or the health department. This student may immediately return to class.*