

THE SCHOLARS CONNECTION COMMUNICABLE DISEASE OPERATING PLAN

The Scholars Connection (TSC) recognizes each school day will present unique challenges and our desire is to meet the challenges in a manner that will provide support to home school families. TSC recognizes parental rights and an individual/ family's autonomy for making personal choices and decisions. Parents and students may choose either in-person classes or simultaneous livestream classes. (See Livestream section below).

General

TSC Administrative Staff will maintain regular updates on our website. Adjustments to this operating plan will be made as necessary. All people entering the campus will be responsible for reviewing posted updates.

Screening

All individuals will be screened upon entering campus. This includes taking temperature and answering a series of COVID questions. Parents should not leave campus until their student has been checked and admitted to the building.

No one will be admitted to the campus if:

- Temperature is 99.4 °F or above (using a touchless thermometer)
- They show signs or symptoms of communicable disease such as:
 - cough
 - shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - chills
 - repeated shaking with chills
 - muscle pain
 - headache
 - sore throat
 - loss of taste or smell
 - diarrhea
- They have had close contact with a person who is confirmed to have COVID-19, or other communicable diseases similar to Covid-19, flu, or measles. For COVID-19, the CDC defines a close contact as anyone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes.

NOTE: Students who develop any COVID type symptoms during the school day will be moved to a room by themselves to wait for a parent or emergency contact to pick them up. Staff who develop symptoms will be sent home.

Exercise of Personal Hygiene

- Individuals will be required to clean hands and phones upon entering campus.
- Individuals are encouraged to practice appropriate hygiene procedures including frequent handwashing.

- Hand sanitizer will be placed inside each classroom, and outside of the bathroom.
- Staff/students are encouraged to use their own electronics, writing instruments, supplies.
- Staff/students should bring their own lunches and are encouraged to not share food.
- Staff/students are discouraged from using the public water fountains.
- Students may go outside in small groups (with adult supervision) during down time to get fresh air.

Protective Face Covering

- All individuals entering the campus must wear a face mask. Masks should be worn while individuals are up and moving around and in common areas where distancing is not possible (hallways, CoffeeHouse, bathrooms, stairways).
- Generally, while seated in class and lunch, individuals may remove masks if desired. However, some instructors may require students to wear a protective face covering during their class.
- Teachers may or may not choose to use face coverings/visors while teaching.

Social Distancing

- All persons not from the same household who enter TSC will be encouraged to maintain a 6 foot social distance. A Parent / legal guardian is responsible to monitor their student's admittance to and exit from campus.
- Each classroom will be set up to practice a 5 - 6 foot distance between other students and teacher while seated, with all students facing forward. Class enrollment has been limited to allow such distancing.

Preventative Measures Encouraged

- Instructors are encouraged to clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces in their classrooms between classes. (Wipes will be available in all classrooms)
- Administrative staff will attempt to clean common areas of campus throughout the day.
- Woodridge Baptist Church will clean/sanitize all areas of the campus prior to use.

Continuity of Classes

TSC's environment, both on campus (inside and outside of a classroom) and online, supports home schooled students and their instructors. In the event of some situation wherein in-person classes are not practical, such as COVID-19 or weather conditions, then classes will be conducted through technology or made up. The instructors will provide instruction and assignments using Zoom and MySchoolWorx.

Livestreaming

Simultaneous livestreaming is available in all classrooms for those students who want to learn from home and those who need to stay home due to illness. Students who have opted to livestream are able to switch to in-person classes at the beginning of the grading period as long as there is space in the classroom.