

THE SCHOLARS CONNECTION

2021-22 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. We will continue to monitor Humble ISD and CDC guidelines regarding the handling of COVID-19 and will adjust our Communicable Disease Operating Plan as necessary to help maintain a secure environment.

General

TSC Administrative Staff will maintain regular updates on our website and through MSW Messages/Texts. 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 have their temperature checked upon entering campus. Parents should not leave campus until their student has been checked and admitted to the building.

If any student/staff exhibits any the following, they should remain at home until they are symptom-free and reasonably sure they are not contagious.

- Temperature of 99.4 °F or above (using a touchless thermometer)
- 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
- 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: Any student who develops 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.

Protective Face Covering

Face coverings are recommended by the CDC for all persons over the age of 2. Wearing face coverings at TSC is voluntary.

Social Distancing

The CDC recommends maintaining a distance of at least 3 feet. Students/staff are encouraged to observe this recommendation.

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.

If Exposure/Possible Exposure Occurs

- TSC will notify parents/staff through MSW if we are informed of a possible or confirmed illness.
- TSC will notify WBC and ensure all areas accessed by TSC are sanitized.
- The TSC Board will decide upon any school closures. We do not anticipate cancelling classes, but do reserve the right to do so to ensure a safe environment.
- Anyone testing positive should follow all CDC guidelines for quarantine and recovery prior to returning to campus.
- Parents will review the information provided regarding possible/confirmed illnesses and decide if/when their student should return to school.

Continuity of Classes

- A teacher who is unable to come to campus but feels well enough to teach may use Zoom to teach from home rather than provide a substitute.
- A student who is unable to attend in person should contact their teachers and use MSW to keep up/make-up work.
- Should a school closing be required, TSC may choose to move to an online format. If this occurs, parents/students will be provided with the necessary information to attend online.

Please sign below to acknowledge that you have read and understand this operating plan.

Signature: _____

Date: _____