



2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

School Board Workshop August 11, 2020



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- Instructional Staff Alternative Assignment Request Overview
- PCTA Memorandum of Understanding
- Updating School Master Schedules and Teacher Preparation
- Safety Protocols / Face Coverings
- Positive Case Protocols
- Preschool Training
- Funding Review and Safeguards

LEARNING OPTION SELECTIONS

Providing Parental and Student Flexibility and Choice



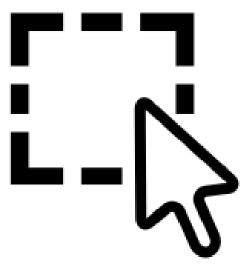
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MyPCS ONLINE

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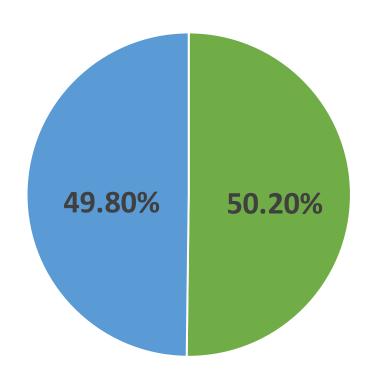
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2020-21 REOPENING UPDATE

TRANSPORTATION SURVEY

Of the 8,374 Responses



- Intend to have my child ride the school bus on a regular basis during the first nine-weeks of the 2020-21 school year.
- Do NOT intend to have my child ride the school bus on a regular basis during the first nine-weeks of the 2020-21 school year.

Survey Window: August 1-5

Sent to families via School Messenger email and text message to families choosing traditional, in-person learning option.

Transportation Next Steps

Recalculating first nine-weeks' bus occupancy based on the results from those families choosing MyPCS Online

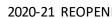
Factor in those families who have indicated that they will not be using transportation

Family response does not abandon the seat if families change their minds

Seeking to rebalance routes as opposed to creating new routes

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Process to Request Possible Alternative Assignment

HR Alternative School Team Assignment Conversations Medical and Alternative Documentation Assignment **Student Learning** Solidification Period **Option Selections** July 28 - Aug. 3 27 July Aug. 4-12 **July 21 - 27** July 30 – Aug. 12 Instructional Staff School Data Request for Review and **Possible Master Schedule Alternative** Updates Assignment Period

Instructional Staff



TEACHER ALTERNATIVE ASSIGNMENTS

Alternative Assignment Requests

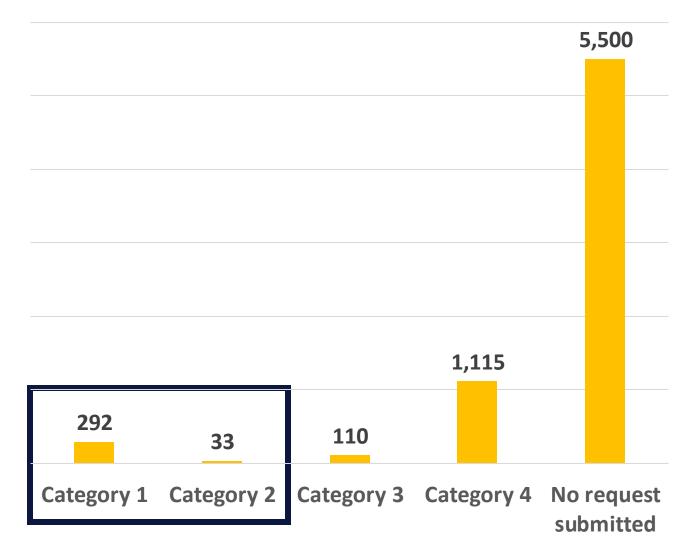
Category 1: Employee has an underlying health concern

Category 2: Employee is 65 years of age or older

Category 3: Employee lives with someone with an underlying health concern

Category 4: Employee does not feel comfortable returning due to concerns regarding COVID-19

Based on student learning option enrollment, PCS worked to prioritize alternative assignments with highest importance for those in categories 1 and 2.





TEACHER ALTERNATIVE ASSIGNMENT

Process for Assigning Teachers to MyPCS Online Units

Student Information

Based on student choice, number of MyPCS Online units determined. Teaching and Learning worked with school leaders to finalize this information.

Teacher Information

Based on teacher input and medical documentation provided, teachers were assigned to 4 categories. HR Partners worked with school leaders to finalize this information.

School leaders and teachers used all of this information to make assignments.

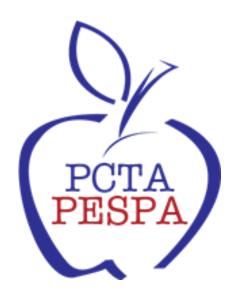
*Please note that not all teachers requesting an alternative assignment will obtain an alternative assignment.

Step 1: Assign the appropriate number of teachers to the available MyPCS Online assignments in the order listed below.

- Category 1: employee has an underlying health condition
- Category 2: employee is 65 or older)
- Category 3: employee lives with someone with an underlying condition
- Category 4: the employee is uncomfortable returning due to COVID-19 concerns

Step 2: Once all virtual assignments have been filled, have a conversation with each teacher who requested, but did not receive, a virtual assignment about their available options.

As of August 10, 371 teachers have full-time MyPCS Online assignments or have accepted positions with Pinellas Virtual School.



PCTA Memorandum of Understanding

- Safety Precautions
- Criteria for Assignment to MyPCS Online; Instructional Delivery Requirements
- One Year Leave Option and Modification to Sick Leave Bank
- Evaluations
- Duration and Assurance of Continued Communication
- Simultaneous Teaching

PREPARATION FOR INSTRUCTION

Canvas

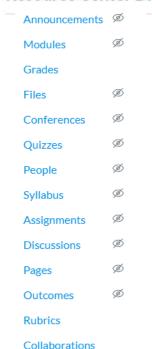
- Over 6,000 teachers have begun and over 4,000 have completed the training
- PCS Connects plan for both the short- and long-term
- Parent and Community Advisory Board

Parent Assistance

- Canvas Training for Parents
- Website will be live August 17

Recent Announcements

Resource Center Draft





Welcome to the Pinellas County Schools Resource Center





PREPARATION FOR INSTRUCTION

- Clear direction to reduce the number of students in face-to-face classes
 - Traditional Face-to-Face goal of 15 (K-3), 18 (4-5), or 20 (6-12) students or less, with considerations on the physical size of the room
 - MyPCS Online class size targets 28 (K-3), 32 (4-8), 35 (9-12)
 - Simultaneous teaching: teachers instruct students in Traditional and MyPCS Online at the same time
- Master schedules recreated to meet the Learning Options choices and teacher needs. Principals are working with teachers at each grade level and content area to redevelop schedules.



Campbell Park Example

| Grade | Enrollment | # of units or sections | # of students selecting PCS Online | # of sections MyPCS Online | # of MyPCS Online in MyPCS sections | # of sections F2F | TPR in F2F sections | # of PCS Online students in each F2F section | #of F2F students in each F2F section |
|-------|------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | 88 | 5 | 41 | 1 | 28 | 4 | 15 | 3 | 12 |
| 2 | 76 | 5 | 19 | 1 | 19 | 4 | 14 | 0 | 14 |
| 3 | 76 | 5 | 27 | 1 | 26 | 4 | 13 | 0 | 12 |
| 4 | 100 | 4 | 45 | 2 | 23 | 3 | 18 | 0 | 18 |
| 5 | 84 | 4 | 38 | 1 | 32 | 3 | 17 | 2 | 15 |
| K | 52 | 5 | 13 | 1 | 13 | 4 | 10 | 0 | 10 |

Grade Level Example—1st Grade, 88 students

| Option1 | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| First Grade | # of MYPCS Online students in each F2F section | #of F2F students in each F2F section | | | | |
| Unit 1 | 11 | 8 | | | | |
| Unit 2 | 10 | 8 | | | | |
| Unit 3 | 10 | 8 | | | | |
| Unit 4 | 10 | 8 | | | | |
| Unit 5 | 0 | 15 | | | | |

| Option 2 | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| First Grade | # of MYPCS Online students in each F2F section | #of F2F students in each F2F section | | | | |
| Unit 1 | 3 | 12 | | | | |
| Unit 2 | 3 | 12 | | | | |
| Unit 3 | 3 | 12 | | | | |
| Unit 4 | 4 | 11 | | | | |
| Unit 5 | 28 | 0 | | | | |

| Option 3 | | | | | | |
|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| First Grade | # of MYPCS Online students in each F2F section | #of F2F students in each F2F section | | | | |
| Unit 1 | 0 | 16 | | | | |
| Unit 2 | 0 | 16 | | | | |
| Unit 3 | 0 | 15 | | | | |
| Unit 4 | 20 | 0 | | | | |
| Unit 5 | 21 | 0 | | | | |



Campbell Park Elementary









Safety Harbor MS Example

| Course Title | MyPCS Online Registrants | MyPCS Online Sections | Traditional Face to Face Registrations | Traditional Face to Face Sections |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| M/J LANG ARTS 1 ADV | 123 | 4 (31) | 178 | 9 (20) |
| M/J LANG ARTS 2 ADV | 169 | 5 (34) | 216 | 11 (20) |
| M/J LANG ARTS 3 ADV | 101 | 3 (34) | 157 | 8 (20) |
| ENG HON 1 | 51 | 2 (26) | 56 | 3 (18) |
| M/J ENGLISH LANG DEV | 20 | 1 (20) | 49 | 3 (16) |

| | Period 1 | Period 2 | Period 3 | Period 4 | Period 5 | Period 6 | Period 7 |
|-----------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | M/J LANG ARTS 3 ADV 1001080J-007 35 | M/J LANG ARTS 3 ADV 1001080J-001 35 | | M/J LANG ARTS 3 ADV 1001080J-004 35 | M/J LANG ARTS 3 ADV 1001080-002 20 | M/J LANG ARTS 3 ADV 1001080-003 20 |
| | M/J ENGLISH LANG DEV 1002180A-001 11 | M/J ENGLISH LANG DEV 1002180B-002 18 | M/J LANG ARTS 1 ADV 1001020-001 17 | M/J LANG ARTS 1 ADV 1001020-003 14 | M/J LANG ARTS 1 ADV 1001020-015 20 | | M/J LANG ARTS 1 ADV 1001020-014 20 |
| | ENG HON 1 1001320M-009 20 | | ENG HON 1 1001320M-008 20 | ENG HON 1 1001320MJ-001 26 | ENG HON 1 1001320M-006 16 | | ENG HON 1 1001320MJ-002 30 |
| | • | M/J LANG ARTS 2 ADV 10010501J-010 35 | | | M/J LANG ARTS 2 ADV 10010501J-017 35 | M/J LANG ARTS 1 ADV 1001020-008 22 | M/J LANG ARTS 1 ADV 1001020-010 22 |
| | | M/J LANG ARTS 1 ADV 10010200J-020 20 | M/J LANG ARTS 1 ADV 10010200J-021 35 | M/J ENGLISH LANG DEV 1002180B-003 20 | * | M/J LANG ARTS 2 ADV 10010501J-008 31 | |
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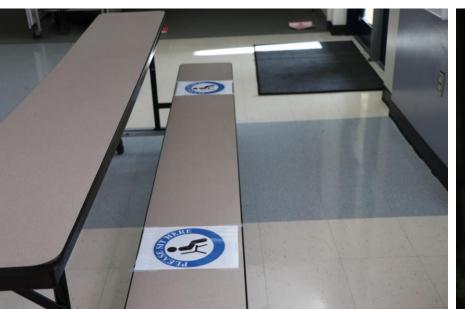
Safety Harbor MS Example

Face to Face Sections

MyPCS Online sections











Safety Harbor Middle













Pinellas Park High

Video - What to Expect When You Return to School



SAFETY **PROTOCOLS**

- Classroom COVID 'care' package
- Disinfectant that is safe to use in the presence of children and does not require PPE for user
- Microfiber cloth
- Trigger sprayer for disinfectant
- Bottle of hand sanitizer

All supplies will be refilled when exhausted. HPOs can order refills through the warehouse just as they order refills for other supplies such as soap and paper towels.



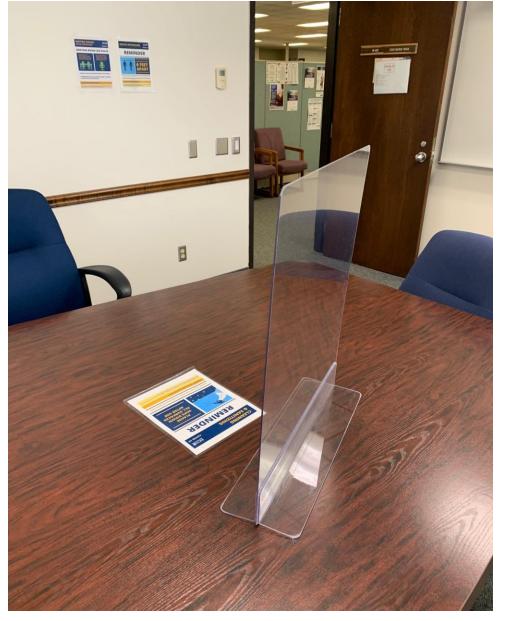
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SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Acrylic sneeze guards

- Classrooms
- Cafeterias
- Reception counters
- Office areas



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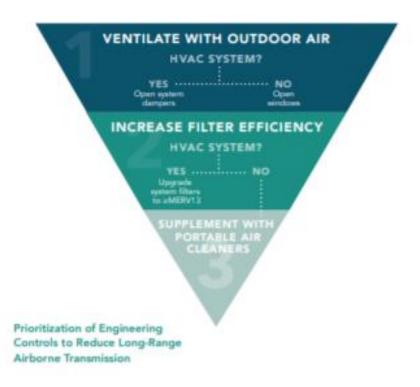
- Hand sanitizer mounted at the door next to the handrail of every bus
- Extra face masks provided to every driver to give to children who leave their mask at home





HEALTHY BUILDINGS

Healthy building strategies that improve air quality and clean surfaces should be incorporated as part of a layered defense against COVID-19. For improving indoor air quality, we recommend prioritizing control strategies – ventilation, filtration, supplemental air cleaning – and verifying system performance regularly. For more detailed and technical guidence, on recommend reviewing the materials produced by the ASHRAE Epidemic Task Force. Schools should work with facilities managers and outside professionals to failer these recommendations for their unique building systems.





Increase outside air ventilation to at least ASHRAE minimum standard

Pinellas has been designing systems to meet this requirement for decades

Upgrade filters to MERV 13 or higher

- Installing filters that meet this recommendation in all spaces including room with direct expansion (Bard) units
- Previous ASHRAE standard was a MERV 8 filter for schools, we have designed for and used MERV 11 filters for years

Schools without mechanical ventilation should supplement with portable air cleaners

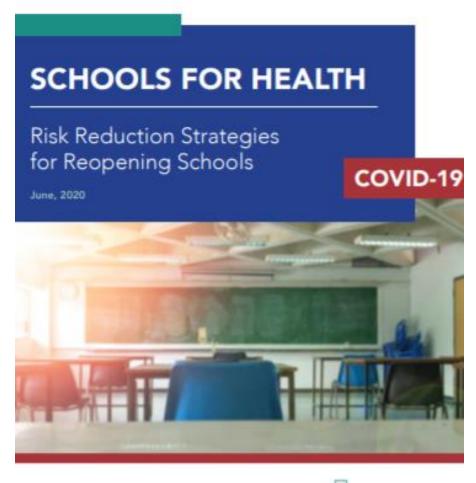
- All rooms have air conditioning
- Installing air cleaners in high-needs centers and are securing 300 additional units for spaces to use in emergencies and for some Bard units that cannot handle a MERV 13 filter

Verify and measure system performance

 District Systems Optimization Team and Cenergistic Energy Specialists monitor the Building Management System (BMS) system 24/7 to verify proper air flow, cooling, and humidity control is taking place











SAFETY PROTOCOLS **Ventilation Practices**

Clean all schools by cooling zone

- Schools have been directed to conduct nightly "zone cleaning" for several years. This allows plant operations to clean an area in comfort while affording the opportunity to reduce electrical use
- Run at least one fresh air exchange in each zone after cleaning is complete and before nightly shutdown
- Once the room has been disinfected, locked, and an entire fresh air exchange occurs before shutdown, there is no need to run the air conditioning overnight
- Run several cycles of fresh air exchange each morning before occupancy
- Dehumidification cycles run as needed during all scheduled downtimes
- PCS has adhered to the ASHRAE standards for years

Section 1. Required Face Coverings

Subject to the exceptions set forth below, each student, employee, visitor, vendor or other person must wear a face covering at all times when on or inside any property owned, leased, or operated by the School Board, including schools, administrative buildings and buses, as well as during any school or district-sponsored activity to another location. The district will provide students and staff with a supply of acceptable face coverings and will maintain emergency supplies of disposable or other new face coverings so that no student, staff member or other person will be in a position where they will not have access to one.

Consistent with the District's ReOpening Plan, and in alignment with medical recommendations, students in prekindergarten, kindergarten and students in ESE self-contained classrooms and ESE Center schools may not be able to utilize face coverings to the same extent as other classrooms. Nevertheless, employees should encourage such students to use face coverings to the extent appropriate and provide relevant instruction and direction to the students.

Section 2. Face Covering Defined

Face coverings must cover both the mouth and nose completely and fit snugly against the sides of the person's face with little or no gaps. Face coverings must be made of solid material, and not lace, mesh, crocheted, made of other largely porous material or have exhalation valves or vents that allow air to be exhaled through a hole in the material. Although medical-grade masks, such as surgical face masks and N95 respirators, are sufficient face coverings, they are not required and members of the public who do not work in healthcare or an occupation that requires them are discouraged from wearing them during times that such equipment are in short supply so that medical professionals may more easily access them. The school principal or department head, or their designee in their absence, shall have the final authority to determine the acceptability of a particular face covering. This rule is intended to conform to CDC guidance regarding the definition of a face covering or mask, and will be interpreted consistent with CDC guidance as it evolves.

Examples of **acceptable** face coverings include paper or disposable face masks, cloth face masks, neck gaiters/buffs or other cloth apparel completely covering the mouth and nose.

Examples of **unacceptable** face coverings include lace, mesh, crocheted or other masks or face coverings that are not solid material, those that have exhalation valves or vents that allow air to be exhaled through a hole in the material, face coverings that are worn so that large gaps exist between the face covering and the person's skin, and face shields (face shields, however, may constitute an exception and are discussed in Section 3.c. below).

Text, symbols, slogans and other speech contained on face coverings shall be addressed just as if the same speech was worn on another article of apparel by the student, employee, visitor, vendor or other person on district property.

Section 3. Exceptions

Very Young Children. Face coverings are not required for children who are less than four (4) years of age.

Face Shields in Certain Circumstances. Face shields are generally defined as a piece of equipment fitting on top of the head that contains a solid, but clear, piece of plastic or other lightweight material covering the person's face from at least the forehead to the bottom of the chin, and from ear to ear.

Face shields are less effective than face coverings defined above, but may be used (i) as a possible accommodation under the ADA or Section 504 where an appropriate medical professional has certified in writing that the person has a qualifying contraindication that prevents that person from being able to safely wear a face covering defined above; (ii) where staff and/or students have an instructional or communicative reason for showing or viewing another's mouth, such as during phonetic instruction or for students who are hearing impaired and need to see facial movements, but only when video instruction is not available or appropriate; and (iii) other situations on a case-by-case basis as determined by the principal or department head, or their designee in their absence, where in the best interests of the person seeking to wear the face shield, which must relate to medical or instructional reasons.

Section 3. Exceptions – continued

Face Covering Breaks. To promote the social and emotional wellbeing of students, who may struggle wearing a face covering for long periods of time, schools will provide students with opportunities for breaks where they can remove their face covering while maintaining appropriate distancing and while under general supervision. Under these circumstances, employees may also periodically and for short periods of time take a face covering break.

Eating and Drinking. Face covering are not required while actively eating or drinking.

Strenuous Physical Activity. Face coverings are not required during the times that any person is engaged in strenuous physical activity, whether inside or outside a district building. However, social distancing of at least 6 feet is strongly recommended in these situations. The district will also consider guidance issued by outside governing authorities regarding face coverings and physical activities.

Wind Instruments. When students, employees or guests are permitted by the school to play wind instruments during a school-sponsored course or activity, they must use a face covering with a slit, in addition to other safety measures, to allow for the performance, but must wear a face covering without any slit when not playing the instrument.

Section 3. Exceptions – continued

During Receipt of Healthcare. Face coverings are not required when its removal is necessary for the person to receive healthcare or to undergo a healthcare examination from authorized healthcare professionals, including school nurses.

Emergency Circumstances. Face coverings are not required and may be removed if a person is experiencing a medical emergency, is unconscious or incapacitated, or is personally unable to remove the face covering without assistance.

Indoors or Driving When Alone. Face coverings are not required when persons, including employees, are alone in a classroom, other district building room or district vehicle when they are alone in such space.

Section 4. Noncompliance.

The wearing of a face covering is a public health issue. Students who do not wear a mask when it is required (or refuse to do so), should first be reeducated on the importance of wearing a mask. If after the reeducation occurs, they still do not comply, the student's administrator should be contacted. Not wearing a mask when it is required is not a disciplinary matter, but rather a health and safety concern. Administrators will contact the parent/guardian for support.

If the refusal continues, the principal must contact the area superintendent/chief to discuss options which will include administrative placement into one of the other learning options (MyPCS Online or Pinellas Virtual School). This placement is a non-disciplinary placement and is based on the health and safety needs of all students and staff.

Employee noncompliance will be addressed as an employee discipline issue.

Section 5. Effective Date.

This emergency policy takes effect on August 12, 2020, and will remain in effect until 11:00 p.m. on November 9, 2020, unless extended pursuant to law.

2020-21 REOPENING UPDATE

POSITIVE CASE PROTOCOLS





Every case will contain nuances based upon surrounding circumstances and will be handled individually. The Department of Health and Pinellas County Schools will follow CDC guidance, which is subject to change.

Employee/Parent Responsibility

Principal/Supervisor Responsibility

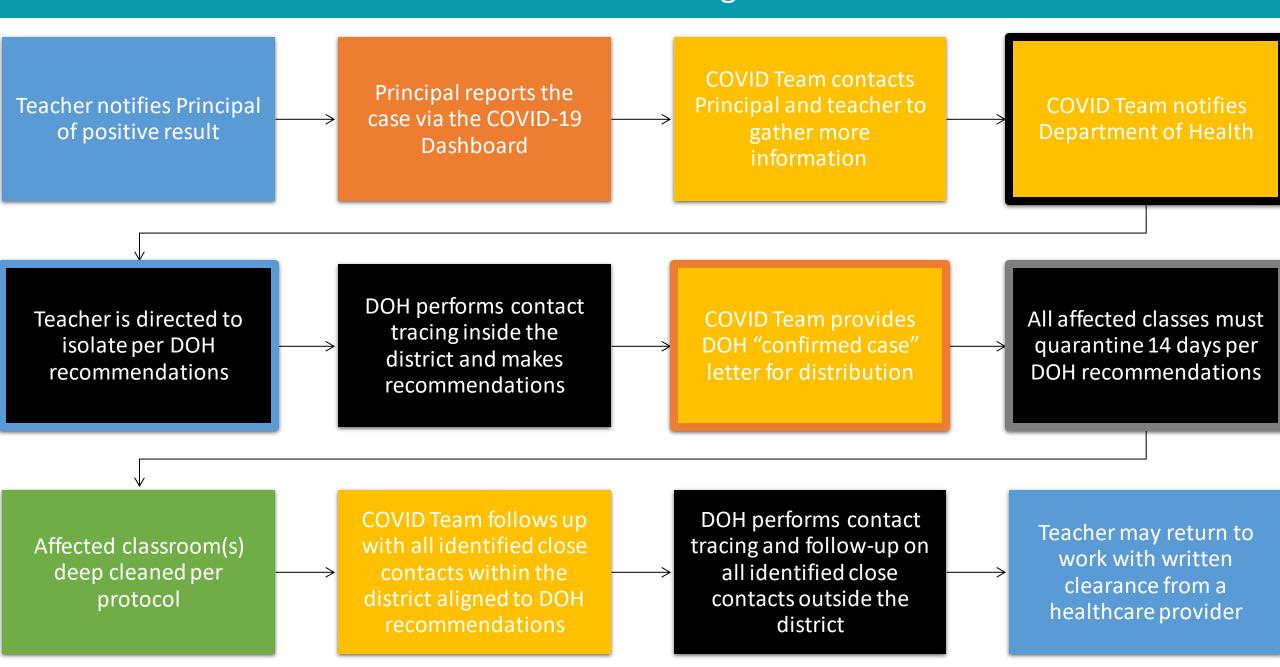
PCS COVID Team Responsibility

Plant Operations
Responsibility

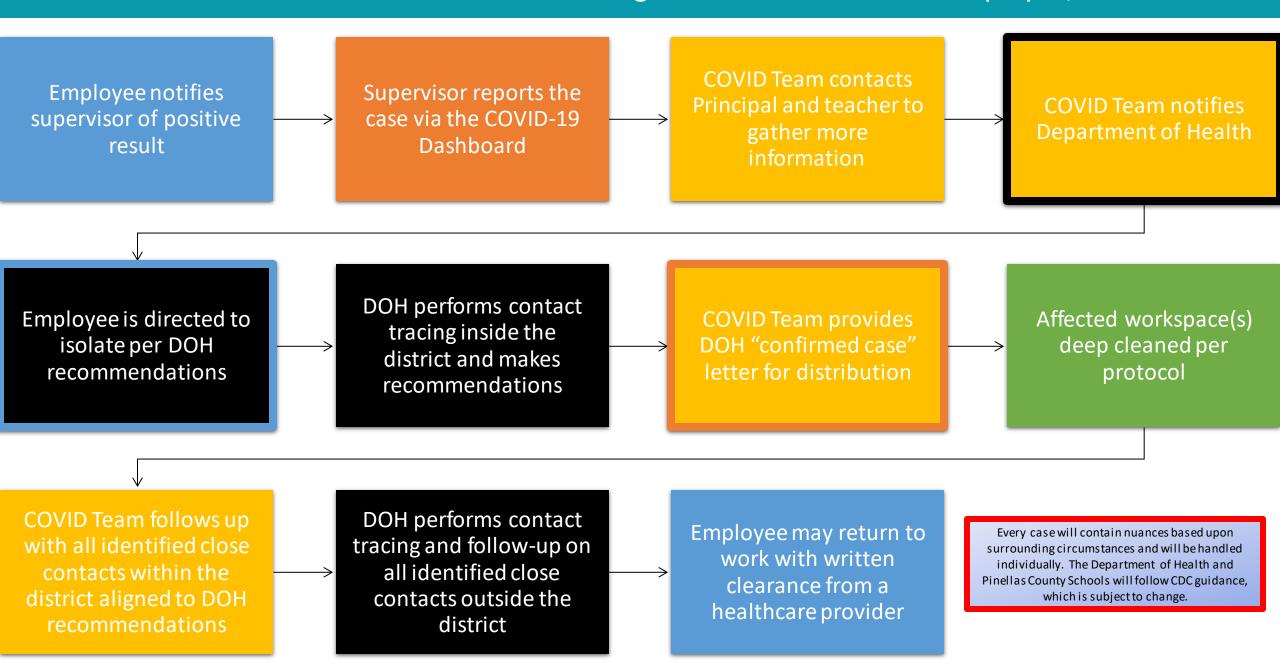
DOH-Pinellas Responsibility

Student Responsibility

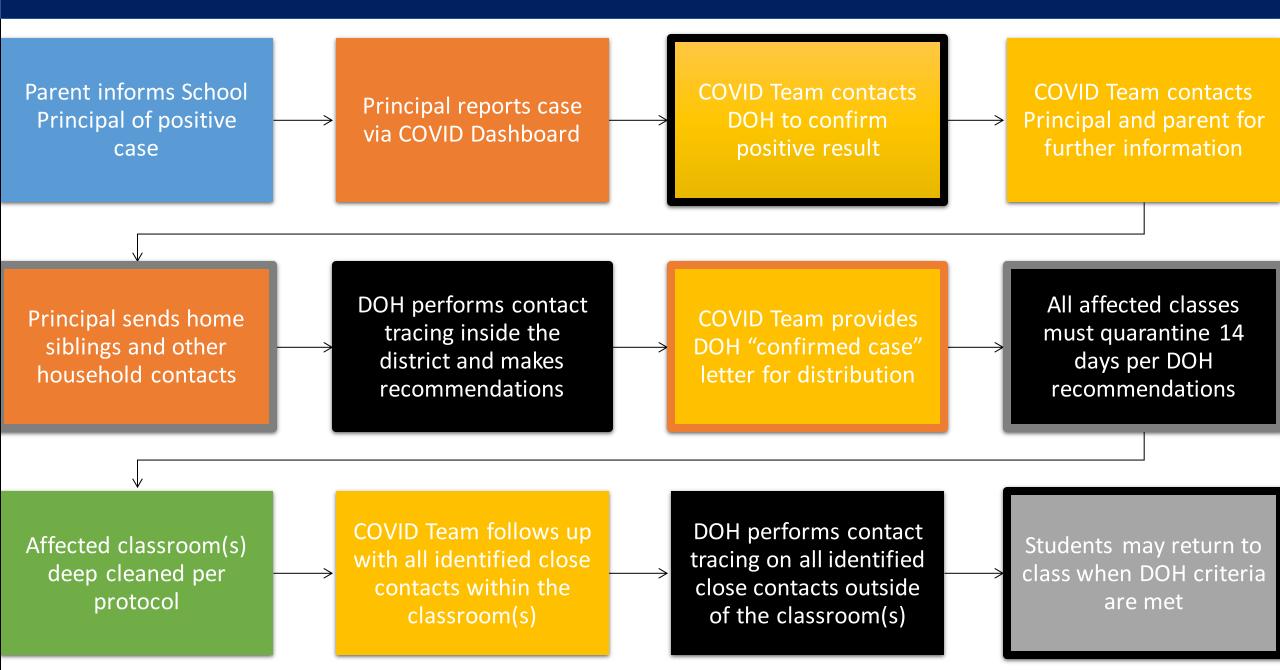
Current DOH-Pinellas Positive Confirmed Case High-Level Protocol: Classroom Teacher



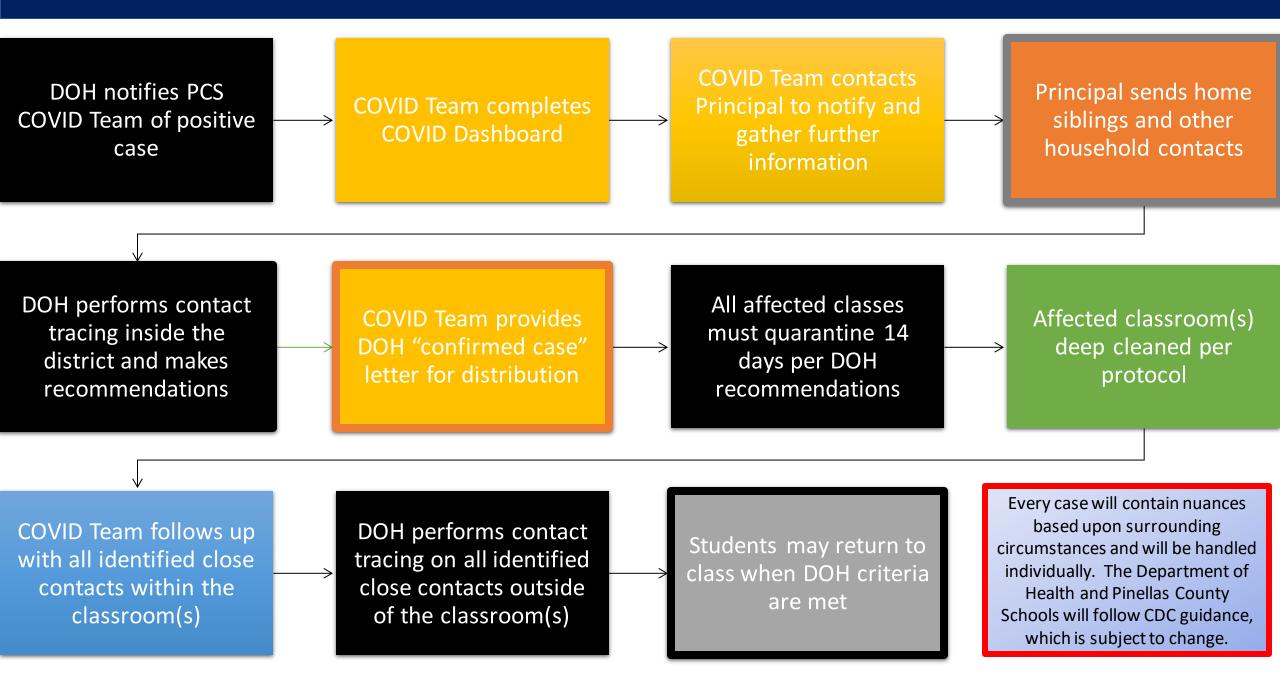
Current DOH-Pinellas Positive Confirmed Case High-Level Protocol: Other Employee/Staff Member



Current DOH-Pinellas Positive Case Protocol: Parent Notification for Student



Current DOH-Pinellas Positive Case Protocol: DOH Notification for Student



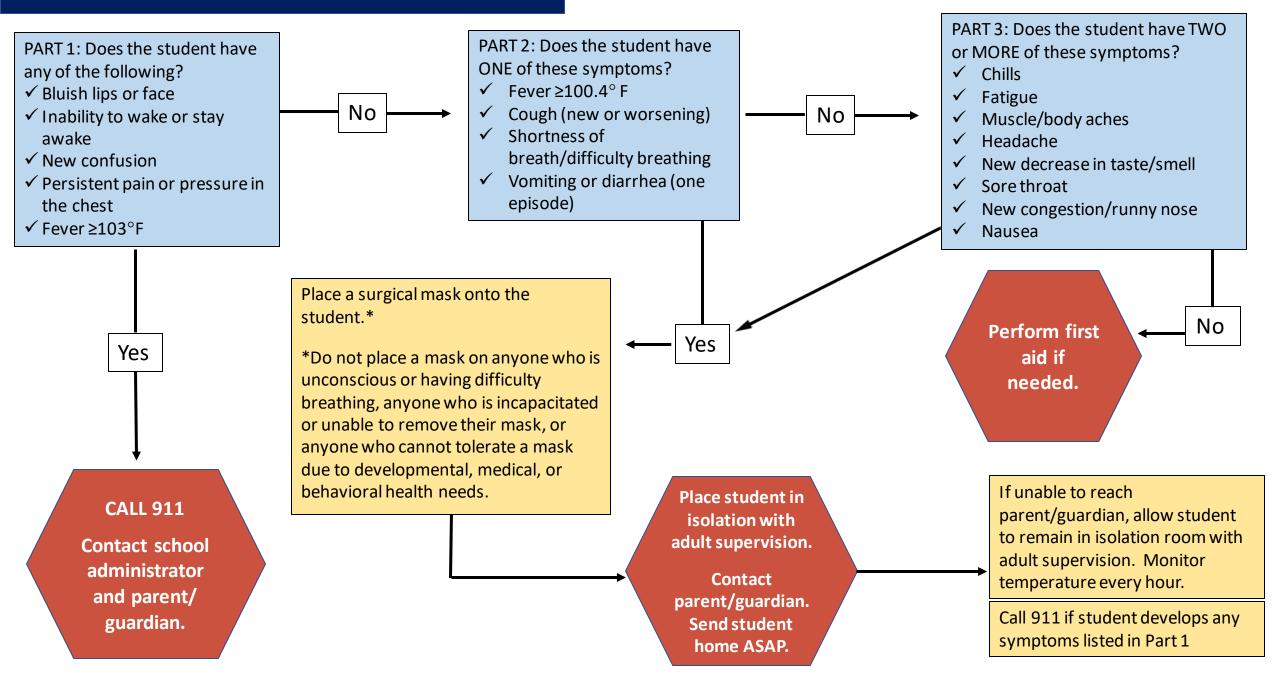
DOH-Pinellas Recommendations for Students with Symptoms

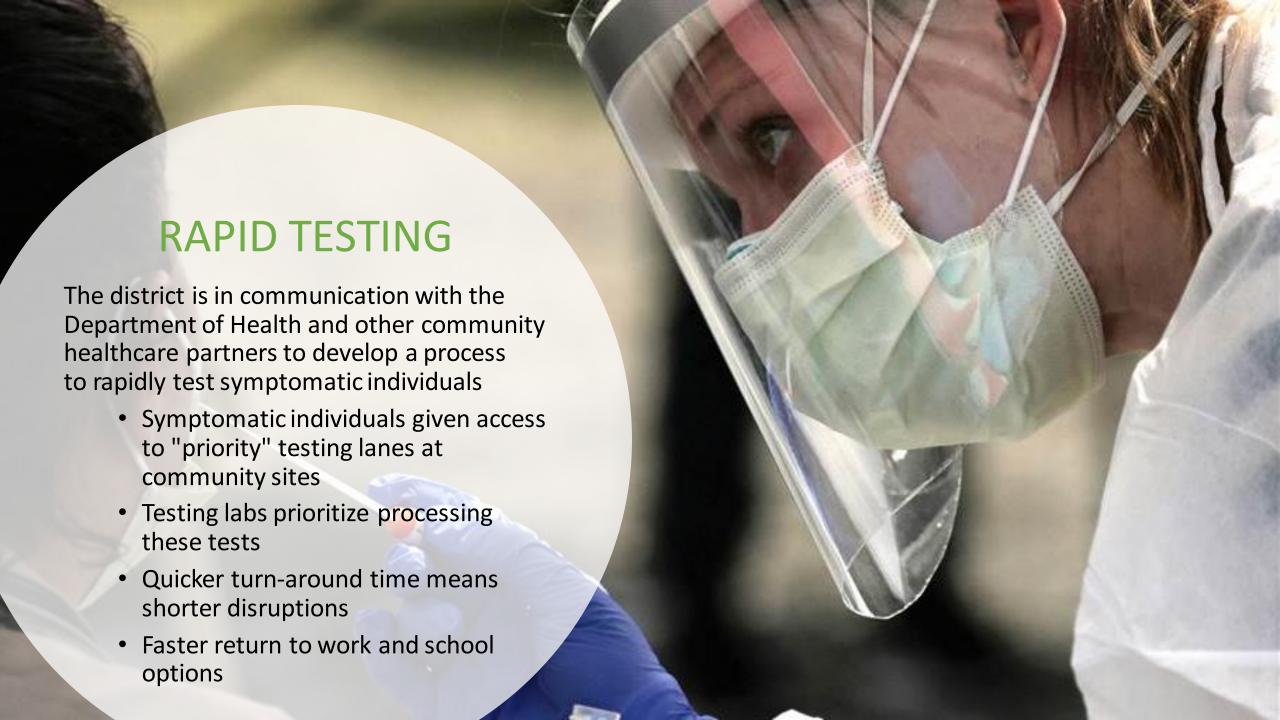
Return Home for any ONE of the following:

- Fever ≥100.4°F via no-contact thermometer
- Cough (new or worsening)
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Vomiting or diarrhea (one episode)

Return Home for any TWO or MORE of the following:

- Chills
- Fatigue
- Muscle/body aches
- Headache
- New decrease in taste or smell
- Sore throat
- New congestion or runny nose
- Nausea





Pre-school Training

- Social Emotional Learning, Mental Health, and Restorative Practices from a COVID Perspective
- Health and Wellness Protocols
- Combatting Learning Loss
- BTG Update and Anti Bias
- PCS Connects and Canvas
- Safety
- Training for Facilitators



Funding Review and Safeguards

Based on having a state-approved Optional Innovative Reopening Plan

Potential loss of enrollment: \$9,300,000

Maintain full FTE for 2,600

\$10,300,000 **PVS** students:

Maintain full FTE for all

\$147,600,000 MyPCS Online students:

Total protections from approved plan:

\$167,200,000

annualized





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