# **HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES**

THIRD FUTURE SCHOOLS, REVISED 12 DECEMBER 2020



The Academy of Advanced Learning, Coperni 2, Coperni 3, and Sam Houston Elementary will continue to conduct inperson learning and follow the guidelines in this PowerPoint.

Please call the school's principal if you have questions.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Temperature checks will be conducted twice a day for students and once in the morning for adults.
- In grades 3 through 8, student desks will be separated by six feet.
- In grades 3 through 8, there will be approx. 10 to 12 students in a classroom. [In larger-sized classrooms, we may have more students as long as they are separated by at least six feet.]
- In grades K through 2, we will assign approx. 20 students to a classroom.



## HEALTH AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Masks are required for all students in grades 2 through 8 for the entire time a student is on school grounds.
- Masks are required for all students (including K-I) when students move from one place to another.
- Masks may be removed when students are drinking or eating as long as they are still six feet away from another person (K-I students should be at least 4 feet away from another person).



### HEALTH AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

- Teachers will wear masks the entire time they are on school grounds.
- Face shields may also be worn, but may not replace masks.
- Hand sanitizers will be available and used regularly.
- Students will be kept in the same group or "cohort".



## WHAT IS A "COHORT"?

A **COHORT** is a group of approximately 10 to 12 students assigned to a class and who stay together throughout the day. This helps stop the spread of any disease to a larger group of students and helps with contact tracing.

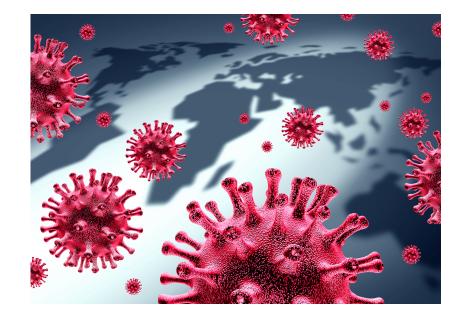


#### POSITIVE COVID-19 TEST

- The student or staff member who **tests positive for COVID** must quarantine at home for 10 days since symptoms first appeared and until there is no fever for at least three days and improvement of symptoms. A student or staff member need only remain quarantined after a positive result for seven days if they are tested and receive a negative test result on or after day 5 of the quarantining period. The quarantine may not end earlier than after day seven.
- Siblings of a student who tests positive should also self-isolate at home for 10 days or for seven days if they are tested and receive a negative test result on or after day 5 of the self-isolation period. The self-isolation period may not end earlier than after day seven.

## **CLOSE CONTACT**

- A "close contact" will also be asked to self-isolate for 10 days or 7 days if they are tested and receive a negative test result on or after day 5 of the self-isolation period. The selfisolation period may not end earlier than after day seven.
- A close contact is a person who was closer than 6 feet of the sick individual for 15 minutes or within 12 feet of the individual for 15 minutes when either party is unmasked and indoors.



## WHO NEEDS TO BE SENT HOME?

Because all of the staff and all students in grades 2 through 8 will be wearing masks the entire day, we will have few "close contacts." Thus we will not be sending teachers or cohorts of students home unless they are sick or unless we have at least some evidence that the virus is being transmitted in the school.

## WHO NEEDS TO BE SENT HOME?



- Students with flu-like symptoms should not come to school.
- For all grades, when a student or staff member tests positive, we will send the class or a cohort of students home only if two other students in the cohort test positive during the time the original student or staff member is being quarantined.

#### WHAT ARE MY RESPONSIBILITIES?

- Keep sick students at home, and let your child's teacher know if the student is experiencing fever or symptoms of respiratory illness.
- Let the school know immediately if your student is tested for COVID-19 and what the results are.
- Send your student to school with a functioning cloth mask.
- Follow these health and safety guidelines.

