

## APS Plan for Current & Enhanced COVID Safe Practices (CSPs)

The APS plan for current and enhanced COVID safe practices (CSPs) identifies CSPs that are currently being implemented along with enhanced mitigations strategies to be implemented upon an increase in a school's onsite positivity rate of COVID-19 cases.

- 1) CSPs marked with an X in the current column, shaded in green, indicate CSPs currently implemented on a school campus regardless of the number of positive cases reported as being on campus while infectious.
- 2) CSPs marked with an X in the enhanced column, indicate CSPs recommended if a school has 3% or more of its population (students & staff) on campus while infectious in the past 14 days.
- 3) CSPs marked with an X in the enhanced column, indicate CSPs required if a school has 5% or more of its population (students & staff) on campus while infectious in the past 14 days.

	Current	Enhanced	COVID Safe Practices	Additional Information
1	X		Those returning from five days of COVID infection are required to wear masks for days 6-10 (day zero is symptom onset day or specimen collection date if asymptomatic)	
2	X		Masks available for individuals who may need them on buses and at school	
3	X		MERV-13 filter or better installed in HVAC OR Central air fan runs continuously, dampers opened to increase air flow, windows opened (as appropriate) and deployment of portable fans with air purifiers (describe)	All units with filters have the highest filter for that unit - fans run from 3:00am-8:00pm daily and all dampers have been removed - schools with radiant heat have portable fans as well as UV-C air conditioners in the classroom - for specific unit information: <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1IAdC166h-HMDam8hhnB7-OZYuAzaum6D_4PtxnNaCmQ/edit#gid=533657084">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1IAdC166h-HMDam8hhnB7-OZYuAzaum6D_4PtxnNaCmQ/edit#gid=533657084</a>
4	X		Staff and students have access to hand-washing stations and/or hand sanitizer	
5	X		Signage posted to encourage hand washing	

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6	X		Staff responsible for self-screening prior to coming to work	At-home screening
7	X		Parents responsible for screening their child at home prior to coming to school	At-home screening - parents reminded regularly to not bring symptomatic/sick children to school
8	X		Regular deep cleaning/disinfecting of facilities (describe)	Custodians are trained and have daily task cards for cleaning protocols
9	X		Regular deep cleaning/disinfecting of buses (describe)	Bus drivers are trained and follow CDC guidance for cleaning buses
10	X		Vaccination event(s) at schools hosted when circumstances allow	
11	X		A policy in place that provides staff access to paid sick leave	Paid emergency sick leave available to those eligible
12	X		Process to review positive cases and to consider interventions based on data (describe)	<p>School/department administration report cases to the district daily (report to Nursing Services)</p> <p>School onsite positivity rate of 3% or more within past 14 days: District personnel conducts a site visit, meets with principal to review and ensure compliance with current practices and recommends enhanced mitigation strategies</p> <p>School onsite positivity rate of 5% or more within past 14 days: District personnel conducts a site visit, meets with principal to review and ensure compliance with current practices, provides recommendations and identifies required enhanced mitigation strategies</p> <p>Additional threshold levels will be considered if needed to determine school/classroom closures (e.g. lack of staff to provide a safe adult to student ratio, indication of school spread or other related contributing factors)</p> <p>Additional guidance outlined in accompanying document may be applied if deemed appropriate when monitoring cases</p>

	Current	Enhanced	COVID Safe Practices	Additional Information
13		X	Social distancing maintained to the greatest extent possible	
14		X	Outdoor learning	Depending on school amenities and weather permitting (e.g. school gardens, outdoor spaces, shade structures, etc.), engage in outdoor learning when possible
15		X	Eating occurs outdoors (weather permitting), in classrooms or in larger indoor setting to support social distancing	Schools are encouraged to eat outdoors if space and weather permits
16		X	Student cohorting to the greatest extent possible	Depending on school and grade level, cohort when possible
17		X	Only essential visitors allowed	Ensure current school partners and volunteers understand CSPs for schools
18		X	Hallway traffic restricted to one-way or divided in lanes	
19		X	Students move directly into classes/cohorts when arriving at school	
20		X	Remote-only instructional model (describe)	Schools that remain at high levels of transmission after implementing enhanced mitigation strategies for 10 days, may be moved to school-wide remote only instruction for 14 days

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## **Additional Information for Implementing Enhanced COVID Safe Practices**

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Members of the Albuquerque Public Schools COVID-19 response team have consulted with representatives of the New Mexico Department of Health, the New Mexico Public Education Department and the University of New Mexico Hospital regarding threshold considerations for schools to implement increased mitigation strategies as well as the need for classroom/school closures.

Originally developed by the New Mexico Public Education Department, APS has updated a worksheet identifying current and enhanced COVID safe practices for all schools. In addition to the worksheet, provided below is information for determining the implementation of enhanced mitigation strategies as well the need for classroom/school closures.

- Upon a school reaching a threshold of 3% or more of its population (students & staff) while infectious in the past 14 days, enhanced COVID safe practices in accordance to the district's plan shall be recommended. District personnel will conduct a site visit, meet with school administration to ensure compliance with current practices and provide recommendations for enhanced mitigation strategies.
- Upon a school reaching a threshold of 5% or more of its population (students & staff) while infectious in the past 14 days, enhanced COVID safe practices in accordance to the district's plan shall be required. District personnel will conduct a site visit, meet with school personnel to ensure compliance with current practices, provide recommendations and identify required enhanced mitigation strategies.
- 7-14 days after a school is required to implement enhanced COVID safe practices, the rate of current COVID-19 cases will be reviewed, a follow-up site visit shall be conducted to determine if enhanced mitigation strategies have been implemented and to determine if there is a need for additional mitigation strategies.
- 14-21 days after a school is required to implement enhanced COVID safe practices, the rate of current COVID-19 cases will be reviewed. Enhanced mitigation strategies will be lifted when district personnel confirms current COVID-19 cases are below 3% of the school's population (students & staff) in the past 14-21 days.
- Additional threshold levels will be considered if needed to determine classroom/school closures (e.g. lack of staff to provide a safe adult to student ratio, indication of school spread or other related contributing factors).

Provided below is additional guidance that may be considered if deemed appropriate when monitoring COVID-19 cases and implementing enhanced COVID safe practices and/or determining school/classroom closures:

- Additional notification for enhanced mitigation strategies to schools with COVID-19 cases exceeding a threshold of 5% in a 14-day period
- Examine, to the greatest extent possible, school spread of COVID-19 cases
- Monitor adult to student ratios when there is a high number of staff and students simultaneously out
- Examine, to the greatest extent possible, the number of students out due to any illness