




Coronavirus (COVID-19)
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Information for Schools and Childcare



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Frequently Asked Questions



Face Covering Tips

Contra Costa Health Services works closely with the [Contra Costa County Office of Education](#) and [CocoKids](#) on issues related to COVID-19 for schools and childcare facilities.

Elementary School Waiver Process for In-Class Instruction

as of 8/4/2020

[State rules](#) allow elementary schools in Contra Costa County to apply for a waiver to conduct in-person classes.

However, Contra Costa Health Services (CCHS) will not be supporting elementary school waiver applications because we consider in-person education too risky at this time. Until daily case rates, percent positive test rates and hospitalizations in our county are stable or declining for at least 2 weeks, we won't be reviewing any waiver requests. We will continue to update the County Office of Education and our other education partners about when local schools may begin submitting waiver applications.

Once things have stabilized, schools may submit an application demonstrating the following:

- The school has a plan to perform surveillance testing of staff (at least 25% of staff every 2 weeks/100% of staff every month) and has secured an agreement with a lab that has the ability to provide test results within 72 hours.
- The school must also have select staff members trained in contact tracing methodology and agree to assist CCHS with collecting contact tracing information.
- The school meets [additional criteria](#) required by the California Department of Public Health.

Guidances & Resources

Local Guidance & Resources:

- [School Reopening Guidance from the County Office of Education](#)
- [Contra Costa County Office of Education: Information about Coronavirus](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions: COVID-19 and Contra Costa County Schools](#)
- [Guidance for Modified Childcare During COVID-19 Pandemic | Spanish](#)
- [Interim Guidance for Graduation Ceremonies | Spanish - 5/11/2020](#)
- [Respiratory Illness Symptom Screening Tool for Parents and Caregivers | Spanish - 5/4/2020](#)

State Guidance & Resources:

- [COVID-19 and Reopening In-Person Learning Elementary Education Waiver Process](#)
- [COVID-19 and Reopening In-Person Learning Framework for K-12 Schools in California, 2020-2021 School Year](#)
- [COVID-19 Industry Guidance: Schools and School-Based Programs](#)
- [California Department of Education: guidance on support for students](#)
- [COVID-19 Industry Guidance for Child Care Programs and Providers | Spanish](#)
- [COVID-19 Outbreaks at Licensed Childcare Facilities:](#) Click the "COVID-19 Positive Cases in Child Care Facilities" under the "Additional Information" heading

Centers for Disease Control Guidance:

- [Resources for K-12 Schools and Childcare Programs](#)
- [Considerations for Schools](#)

Additional Resources:

- [Video: COVID-19 Explained for Children](#)
- [Cover your Cough flyer](#)
- [Germ Stopper flyer](#)
- [Germ-Free Zone flyer](#)
- [Wash Your Hands flyer](#)
- [Keep Our School Healthy flyer](#)

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