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BRAZOS ISD Guidelines 2020-2021

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Subject to change based on direction from the State of Texas, Texas Education Agency, and local health authorities.

General Information

The Governor's executive order GA-34 update gives the local school board the authority not to require wearing of masks. In addition to the Governor's executive order, the following guidelines are in place until further notice.

- Facial coverings are voluntary for all district staff, students PK-12, and visitors while on campus.
- As a safety precaution, all built in water fountains within and around the building will be turned off. Students are asked to bring their own shatterproof, labeled, water bottle to carry with them during the school day. The water containers will be filled by the staff at appropriate times throughout the day.
- No student field trips during the instructional day.

Individuals Present Symptoms at School/Work:

- When an individual has displayed symptoms of Covid-19, a clinical assessment will be administered to determine if and when the individual needs to be sent home. An individual who reports feeling feverish will have their temperature taken.
- Students who are ill will be separated from their peers and should be picked up no later than 1 hour from the time the campus contacted the student's parent/guardian.
- Other students will be removed from the classroom and taken to an alternate location on campus (e.g. go on a walk outside, move to a different classroom, etc.) so that the classroom can be disinfected.

Individuals returning to school/work after Positive Report:

Any individual who is either:

*Lab confirmed to have Covid-19, or *Experiencing the symptoms of Covid-19

This individual must stay at home throughout the infection period *(per current CDC guidelines)* and cannot return to campus until the school system screens the individual to determine the conditions for campus re-entry.

Nutrition & Food Service Protocols

• Brazos ISD Nutrition & Food Service staff use face shields, facial coverings and gloves when performing job responsibilities and are trained to practice health and hygiene regulations. Brazos ISD cafeterias are cleaned and disinfected daily.

Campus & Classroom Protocols

- For the health and safety of all students and staff parents are required to assist their children with a daily self-screening for COVID-19 symptoms and fever before arriving to school or boarding school transportation.
- Visitors will be allowed on campus ONLY for special events/ceremonies.

Employee Health Protocols

- All staff are required to complete a daily self-screening for symptoms prior to arriving to work.
- All staff must practice appropriate hand hygiene, respiratory etiquette and social distancing.
- All staff are expected to clean and sanitize work space as necessary.

Student Health Protocols

- All students are required to complete a daily self-screening for symptoms prior to arriving to school or boarding school transportation.
- All students are provided guidance on proper hand hygiene, respiratory etiquette and social distancing.
- All students are encouraged to use hand sanitizer before classroom instruction begins and ends.
- All students are seated with as much separation as feasible during the instructional day.

Cleaning Practices

• Campuses are cleaned throughout the instructional day with an emphasis on cleaning high traffic and multiple touch areas, including door handles, restrooms, large group transition areas, cafeteria between meals.

Transportation

- Students and staff are encouraged to use provided hand sanitizer upon boarding the bus.
- As a precautionary measure, students will be required to ride their currently assigned bus for the 2020-2021 school year.

In closing, we hope this information answers your questions, as it is difficult to plan precisely for the unknown. We sincerely appreciate the patience and grace you have extended to us as we work through these unprecedented times. Thank you for working with us to benefit the students of Brazos ISD.