



# On the Alert!

**Date:** August 31, 2021  
**Attention:** ASCIP Members  
**Affected:** All Employees  
**Applicability:** K-12, Community Colleges & Charter Schools

## CURRENT GUIDANCE AND VACCINE MANDATE FOR K-12 & CHARTER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES

### EDUCATION GUIDANCE – CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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<https://covid19.ca.gov/education/#k-12-guidance>

**State Public Health Officer Order** *June 11, 2021*

TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: Beyond the Blueprint

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Order-of-the-State-Public-Health-Officer-Beyond-Blueprint.aspx>

**Masking Requirements** | *July 28, 2021*

TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/guidance-for-face-coverings.aspx#June15guidance>

Masks are required for all individuals in the following indoor settings, regardless of vaccination status: Indoors in K-12 schools & childcare. Additionally, masks are required for unvaccinated individuals in indoor public settings and businesses.

### **COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools in California, 2021-22 School Year**

*August 2, 2021 - [Q&A August 6, 2021](#)*

TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: **COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools in California, 2021-22 School Year**

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/K-12-Guidance-2021-22-School-Year.aspx#>

Safety Measures for K-12 Schools include, but are not limited to:

1. **Masks:** K-12 students are required to mask indoors, with exemptions per CDPH face mask guidance. Adults in K-12 school settings are required to mask when sharing indoor spaces with students.
2. **\*Physical distancing:** Recent evidence indicates that in-person instruction can occur safely without minimum physical distancing requirements when other mitigation strategies (e.g., masking) are implemented.
3. **Ventilation recommendations:** For indoor spaces, ventilation should be optimized, which can be done by following CDPH Guidance on Ventilation of Indoor Environments and Ventilation and Filtration to Reduce Long-Range Airborne Transmission of COVID-19 and Other Respiratory Infections: Considerations for Reopened Schools.
4. Recommendations for staying home when sick and getting tested
5. Screening & Testing recommendations
6. Case reporting, contact tracing, and investigation
7. Quarantine and Isolation Protocols per CDPH Guidance
8. Hand hygiene recommendations
9. Cleaning recommendations

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10. Foodservice recommendations
11. Vaccine Verification

## **Vaccine Verification for Workers in Schools** | August 11, 2021

TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: **Vaccine Verification for Workers in Schools**

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Order-of-the-State-Public-Health-Officer-Vaccine-Verification-for-Workers-in-Schools.aspx>

- I. This Order applies to the following facilities: public and private schools serving students in transitional kindergarten through grade 12, inclusive, except that it does not apply to home schools. Further, it does not apply to child care or to higher education. [Advisory - Mandated COVID-19 Vaccinations in California community colleges.](#)
- II. All schools identified in this Order must verify vaccine status of all workers.
- III. Testing requirements: Asymptomatic unvaccinated or incompletely vaccinated workers are required to undergo diagnostic screening testing weekly. [K-12 school-based COVID-19 testing strategies](#)

## **Vaccine Record Guidelines & Standards - To clarify requirements of the QR code** | August 5, 2021

TO: All Californians

SUBJECT: **Vaccine Record Guidelines & Standards - To clarify requirements of the QR code**

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Vaccine-Record-Guidelines-Standards.aspx>

- I. To identify various options for individuals to provide proof of vaccination
- II. To provide instructions to individuals on where to [obtain records of their vaccination](#)
- III. To provide points for consideration to help business owners and operators who may want to verify vaccine status of individuals to do so responsibly. [SMART® Health Card Verifier App](#)
- IV. To provide standards for organizations issuing different types of vaccine records

## **CCD RESOURCES - Chancellor's Office**

- I. [2021-01 Advisory - Mandated COVID-19 Vaccinations in California community colleges](#)
- II. [Report of the safe campus reopening workgroup](#)
- III. [Executive Orders and Guidance Memos](#)

## **WORKPLACE GUIDANCE – CAL/OSHA ETS**

- I. Employers are subject to the Cal/OSHA COVID-19 [Emergency Temporary Standards \(ETS\)](#)
- II. Employers must establish, implement, and maintain an effective written COVID-19 Prevention Program
- III. Cal/OSHA has developed a COVID-19 Model Prevention Program to assist employers with developing their own written program: <https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/coronavirus/ETS.html>
- IV. Employers must provide effective training and instruction to employees on how COVID-19 is spread, infection prevention techniques, and information regarding COVID-19-related benefits that affected employees may be entitled to under applicable federal, state, or local laws.
- V. Employers must exclude employees who have COVID-19 symptoms and/or are not fully vaccinated and have had close contact from the workplace and, if that close contact is work related, ensure continued wages.

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