



Responding to Cases of COVID-19 On Campus

A background image showing a close-up of a hand using a white foam hand sanitizer dispenser. The hand is positioned to dispense foam, and the dispenser is a standard wall-mounted or countertop model. The image is slightly blurred, emphasizing the action of sanitizing. The left side of the image is covered by a solid teal-colored vertical bar.

Disease Mitigation Guidelines

Required Response



Frisco ISD has developed Disease Mitigation Guidelines to protect the health and wellbeing of Frisco ISD students and staff. These guidelines govern the protocols for employees and students to follow while on campus.

Cases of COVID-19



The District developed protocols for responding to cases of COVID-19 on campus, including confirmed positive cases, individuals displaying symptoms consistent with COVID-19, and those in close contact with confirmed positive cases

Close Contact Review Teams



Each campus has designated a Close Contact Review Team of at least 4-6 staff members to respond to reports of COVID-19 incidents on campus.

The District also has dedicated centralized support for campuses which is housed in the Nursing Department

Reporting



Parents are required to notify their campus when their student will be absent because the student is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, has tested positive for COVID-19, or is quarantining because of close contact with a confirmed case.

Staff are also required to report in the same circumstances.

Definitions

✓ Close Contact

Within 6 feet of a confirmed case for a cumulative 15 minutes or more during the infectious period

✓ Confirmed Case

An individual who receives a positive COVID-19 test result

✓ Infectious Period

48 hours prior to symptom onset, or positive test if the individual does not have symptoms, through the end of quarantine



Close Contact Reviews

Steps of Close Contact Reviews

✓ Step 1

Interview the person to find out if they were on campus while infectious

✓ Step 2

Review the person's schedule to determine who should be interviewed

✓ Step 3

Review any other information regarding the person's movements

✓ Step 4

Interview staff and, if necessary, students who know who the person has been around

✓ Step 5

Identify close contacts based on the information gathered

✓ Step 6

Notify the close contacts of their exposure and then notify the campus community of the positive case

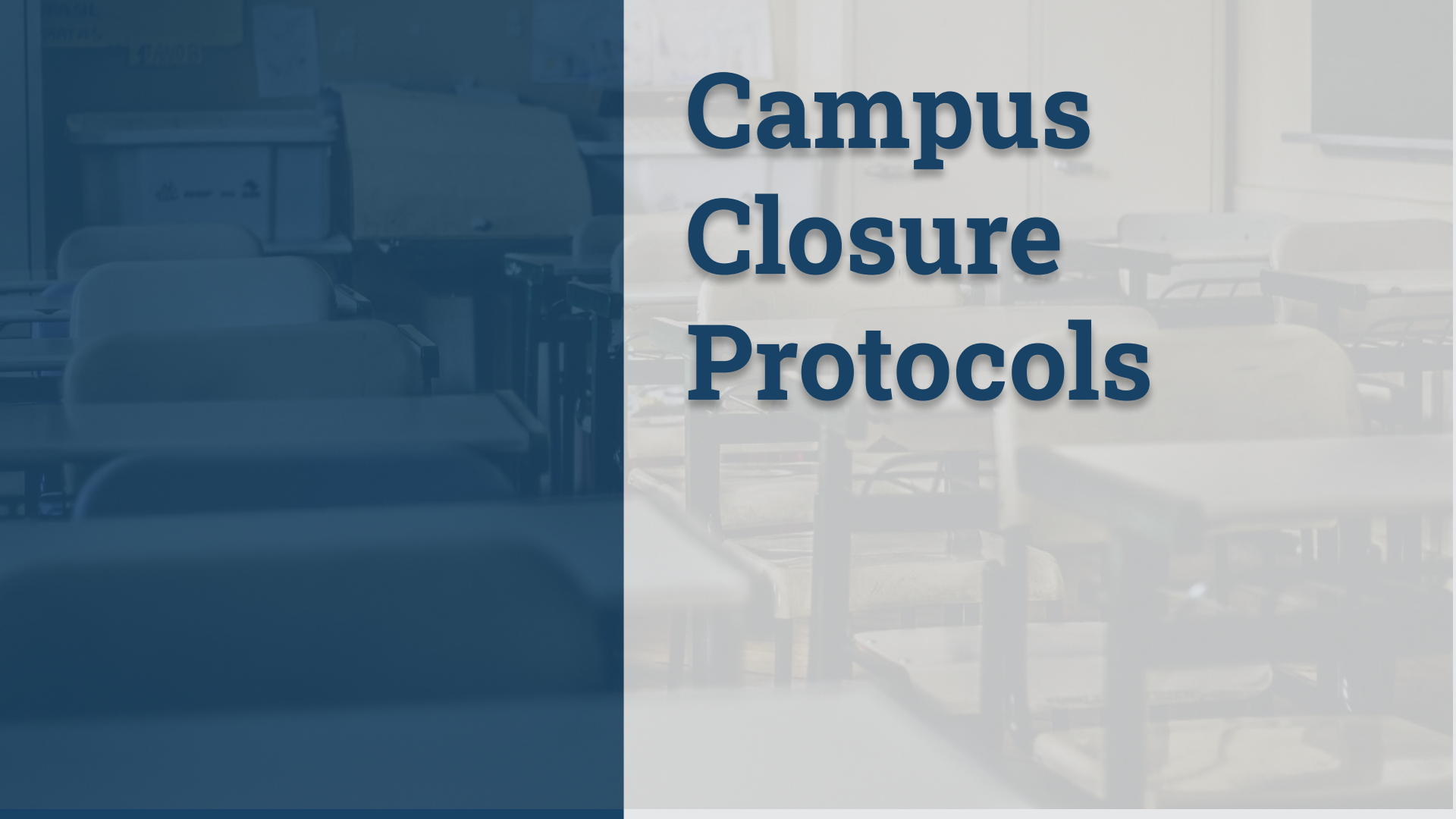
Additional Considerations



Elementary Classes and Buses

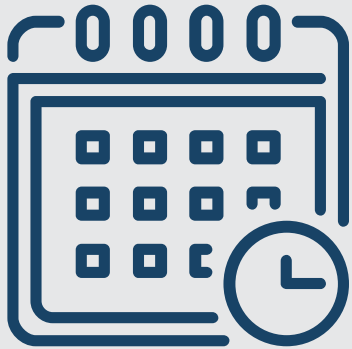


Because of challenges associated with social distancing at the elementary level and on school buses, all individuals in an elementary classroom or riding a school bus will be considered to be in close contact with everyone else in that environment.



Campus Closure Protocols

Capacity for Close Contact Reviews



All close contact reviews must be completed within 2 school days of initial notification. If the Campus Close Contact Review Team determines that one more more close contact reviews cannot be completed in the required timeframe, Campus Closure Protocols will be initiated.

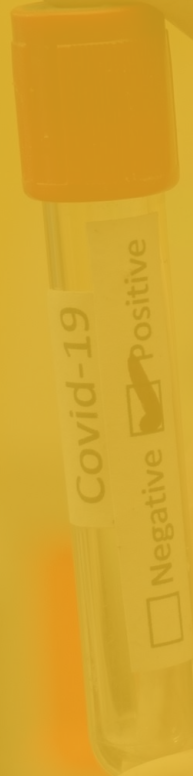
Factors for Campus Closure



Together with the District, the campus will consider the following factors when deciding whether a campus closure is necessary:

- Whether, with additional support the CCRT can complete the required close contact reviews
- Whether the cases are concentrated and a particular group of students can be temporarily quarantined in lieu of a closure
- The current level of student and staff absenteeism
- The needs of students receiving Special Education services

Disease Activity Levels



Disease Activity Level Metrics



Current metrics rely on data from the State and from Collin and Denton Counties. Because of inaccuracies in data reporting from the State, and because Collin County released all responsibility for case investigation to the State, we are reviewing the metrics for possible revision

Disease Activity Level Metrics



We are working with Denton County and Dr. Mark Gamber on revised metrics that will de-emphasize or eliminate potentially erroneous data and focus on higher-quality data.