



COVID-19 Specific Communicable Disease Management Plan

School District Name: **Pinehurst School District**

School Name: **Pinehurst Elementary School**

District Administrator: **Victoria Cutler**

Consulting RN, School Nurse, or Medical Professional: **Southern Oregon ESD**

Plan Component	Required	Recommendations and Considerations
A protocol to notify the local public health authority (LPHA) of 1. Any cluster of illness among the school cohort (5 or more students and staff)	PSD Protocol for Notifying LPHA PSD Communication Protocol PSD Communication Flow Chart Inform parents/guardians that they need to notify the school immediately when a student has a positive test for COVID-19. Victoria Cutler, District Administrator will notify Jackson County Public Health as needed. COVID-19 Case/Concern: Jackson County: Communicable Disease Department. Phone: (541) 774-8209 (During business hours) or (541) 618-4651 (After 5:00 pm).	

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	<p>If 20% of the school cohort (5 or more students and staff) are reported absent due to testing positive for COVID-19, report to and consult with the LPHA regarding a response plan. (LPHA directory).</p>	
<p>Protocol for screening students and staff upon entry to school each day and visitors/volunteers throughout the day</p>	<p>PSD Protocol for Entry Screening PSD Protocol for Visitors Entering Facility Communicable Disease Guidance for Schools When Should I Keep My Child At Home?</p> <p>Screening: Signs are posted at the school entrance and at additional locations in the building reminding families, older students, and staff to self-check for primary symptoms of COVID-19 and being observant of possible symptoms in students, other staff, and visitors. Primary COVID-19 symptoms include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cough • Fever of 100.4 F or higher • Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath • New loss of taste or smell <p>If a student/staff exhibits primary COVID symptoms, the individual will be sent to the office for a health screening. If the health screening shows that COVID symptoms are</p>	<p>Involve Jackson County Public Health in development of protocols and symptom assessment as needed.</p> <p>Students and staff who have conditions that cause chronic symptoms (e.g., asthma, allergies, etc.) should not be automatically excluded from school. Cough is an exception: Staff or students with a chronic or baseline cough that has worsened or is not well-controlled with medication should be excluded from school.</p> <p>Refer to Communicable Disease Guidance for Schools (August 2022), p. 14-24, from the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA).</p>

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	<p>detected, the student will be placed in our supervised isolation room until they are picked up to go home. When feasible, ill students and staff with any primary COVID-19 symptoms will be encouraged to seek testing.</p> <p><u>Exclusion and Return To School:</u> Exclusion for Primary COVID-19 Symptoms Communicable Disease Guidance for Schools (August 2022), p. 9:</p> <p>Students and staff should be excluded from the school setting if they exhibit: *PRIMARY SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19: fever, cough, difficulty breathing or shortness of breath and loss of taste or smell.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If 2+ primary symptoms, MAY RETURN AFTER <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Following applicable symptom-based guidance, if COVID-19 test is negative• Following applicable symptom-based guidance AND minimum 5-day isolation, if COVID-19 test is positive OR if not tested <p>1. *FEVER: a measured temperature equal to or greater than 100.4°F orally.</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MAY RETURN AFTER fever-free for 24 hours without taking fever reducing medicine. <p>2.*COUGH: persistent cough that is not yet diagnosed and cleared by a licensed healthcare provider OR any acute (non-chronic) cough illness that is frequent or severe enough to interfere with participation in usual school activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MAY RETURN AFTER symptoms improving for 24 hours (no cough or cough well-controlled.) <p>3. *DIFFICULTY BREATHING OR SHORTNESS OF BREATH not explained by a situation such as exercise: feeling unable to catch their breath, gasping for air, breathing too fast or too shallowly, breathing with extra effort such as using muscles of the stomach, chest, or neck.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MAY RETURN AFTER symptoms improving for 24 hours.• This symptom is likely to require immediate medical attention.	

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	<p>4.*NEW LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MAY RETURN per guidance for 2+ primary COVID-19 symptoms. <p><u>Non-Primary COVID-19 Symptoms:</u></p> <p>COVID-19 symptoms may also include the following: headache, muscle or body aches, nausea or vomiting†, diarrhea†, fatigue, sore throat, nasal congestion, or runny nose.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a student or staff member has non-primary symptoms that persist for more than one day, the parent of the student, or the staff member, should consider evaluation by their healthcare provider. • Students or staff with any of the above symptoms should be sent home or isolated until they can go home. Review isolation procedures. <p>† Note that vomiting and diarrhea are listed in OAR 333-019-0010 as conditions for restriction from school, independent of COVID-19.</p>	
Communication protocol for COVID-19 cases	<p>PSD Protocol for Notifying LPHA</p> <p>PSD Communication Protocol</p> <p>PSD Communication Flow Chart</p>	Parents of students who were exposed to a person diagnosed with COVID-19, and all exposed adults, should be notified within 24 hours to the extent

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	<p><u>Script</u> or talking points for communicating needed information.</p> <p>PSD will notify families in the event a contagious illness, including COVID-19, occurs within the school cohort. Communication will include the message that staying home when sick can lower the risk of spreading communicable diseases to other people, including the virus that causes COVID-19.</p>	<p>possible, and encouraged to monitor for symptoms and seek testing if symptoms develop.</p> <p>If additional household members become ill with COVID-19, encourage them to seek testing and/or notify their health care provider.</p> <p>Consult with Jackson County Public Health officials for guidance and recommendations as needed.</p>
	<p><u>PSD Protocol for Entry Screening</u></p> <p><u>Communicable Disease Guidance for Schools</u> (p.9)</p> <p><u>When Should I Keep My Child At Home?</u></p> <p>Pinehurst school defines itself as a cohort due to its small number of students and staff. As Pinehurst School is one cohort (a group of students and staff that are consistently in contact with each other), the daily log will be maintained for the entire single cohort.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance data is used as a daily log to document students at school. • Daily logs are maintained for a minimum of 4 weeks. • Staff are trained in the importance of maintaining accurate daily logs. 	<p>Record keeping protocol for daily logs to assist the LPHA as needed.</p>

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Record of anyone entering the facility	PSD Protocol for Visitors Entering Facility Contact Tracing Log Format for daily log <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • Contact information (phone, address) • Date of visit • Time of entry and exit 	All itinerants who move between buildings are strongly encouraged to keep a log or calendar with a running four-week history of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time in each school building • Who they were in contact with at each site
Isolation Measures		
Protocol to restrict any potentially sick persons from physical contact with others	PSD Protocol for Isolation Measures Communicable Disease Guidance for Schools (August 2022) When Should I Keep My Child At Home? Staff and students must be excluded from the school setting while in communicable stages of disease including COVID-19. Communicable Disease Guidance for Schools (August 2022), p.14-24 Anyone with primary COVID-19 symptoms including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cough • Fever of 100.4 F or higher 	Involve Jackson County Public Health and SOESD Reopening Advisor in development of protocols and assessment of symptoms, as available.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath• New loss of taste or smell <p>must be sent home if they become ill at school, particularly if they have COVID-19 symptoms. (See Protocol for Screening Students, p.2 above).</p> <p>PSD has a designated space for students to receive non-COVID-19 health services that is separate from our COVID-19 isolation space.</p> <p><u>Isolation Spaces:</u> PSD has a designated isolation space for individuals who develop COVID-19 symptoms. Students and staff who develop symptoms will be isolated under the supervision of a school-based health care provider until they are able to go home.</p> <p>PSD ensures that the isolation space:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• maintains a supply of face coverings for sick staff and students,• provides medical-grade face masks for health staff in close contact with sick persons, and• maintains a supply of other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). <p><u>Face Coverings:</u></p>	

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	<p>Individuals in the isolation space will wear face coverings to the extent possible. Individuals are NOT required to wear a face covering if they have a disability and/or medical condition that prevents them from wearing a face covering, and/or they are experiencing nausea, difficulty breathing, or in any type of distress.</p> <p>COVID-19 Testing: PSD will provide information to staff and families on how to access COVID-19 testing in the community.</p>	
Environmental Management		
<p>Hand hygiene is strongly encouraged:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upon entry to school • Prior to every meal • After restroom use • And according to PSD Protocol for Hand Hygiene 	<p>PSD Protocol for Hand Hygiene When and How to Wash Your Hands</p> <p>PSD will ensure hand sanitizer, soap and other hand hygiene supplies are readily available to students and staff.</p> <p>Staff, students, and visitors will wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with 60-95% alcohol.</p>	<p>Hand washing or hand sanitizing is also strongly encouraged:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Before, during, and after preparing food • Before and after eating food • Before and after treating a cut or wound • After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing • After touching garbage
Appropriate cleaning and contingency plans for routine infection prevention, and for closing cohort, schools, or districts	<p>PSD Protocols for Cleaning and Disinfecting 6 Steps for Safe and Effective Disinfectant Use</p>	Routine cleaning and disinfecting should follow CDC cleaning and disinfecting guidance , and

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based on identified COVID-19 cases and in compliance with public health and CDC guidelines in collaboration with LPHA	<p>PSD will apply disinfectants safely and correctly following labeling direction as specified by the manufacturer. These products will be stored away from students.</p> <p>Facilities should be cleaned and disinfected daily to prevent transmission of the virus from surfaces (see CDC's guidance on disinfecting public spaces).</p> <p>If an illness cluster or outbreak occurs, deep cleaning using CDC recommended supplies will be completed.</p>	<p>includes cleaning classrooms and restroom door or faucet handles, etc.</p> <p>PSD will consult with LPHA as needed regarding illness clusters of COVID-19.</p>
Physical Distancing and Protection		
Universal use of face coverings is not required. Face coverings are required, the extent possible, in areas identified as health care settings, including isolation spaces and other areas where health care services are delivered.	<p>PSD Protocol for Face Coverings</p> <p>Face Covering Fact Sheet</p> <p>Communication for staff, families, and students on the use of face coverings.</p> <p>Medical personnel are strongly encouraged to wear medical-grade face masks and Personal Protective Equipment when providing direct contact care and monitoring of staff/students displaying symptoms.</p>	As supplies allow, provide disposable face coverings for students, parents, families, and staff who wish to wear them.

I certify that I have received, carefully reviewed Pinehurst School’s Communicable Disease Management Plan, including all links and attachments, and I agree to work with them on ongoing COVID-19 mitigation efforts. [Victoria Cutler]

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