

# Protective Factors for Schools as of August 2021

*(updated information from CA Dept. of Education, LA County Health Department and LAUSD)*

1. Vaccines

2. Masks

- **Masks required inside**
- **Masks outside while in PE and other group activities**  
*(students can take individual mask breaks outside)*

3. Ventilation (we have upgraded HVAC and air filters in each room.)

4. Hand washing and daily campus cleaning

5. All students and staff should stay home when sick. Parents should conduct **daily screening** prior to leaving for school to ensure students are not feeling ill. All people entering campus will engage in daily screening.

6. Physical Distancing is no longer required, however, distancing in classrooms of 3 feet is recommended whenever possible so long as it doesn't limit 100% return to in-person instruction.

7. Weekly COVID Testing (we will conduct weekly PCR testing and use our rapid test as needed as an additional layer of protection)

## **LAUSD Testing Guidance (as of July 29, 2021):**

Baseline and ongoing weekly COVID-19 testing (PCR) of all employees and students – both vaccinated and unvaccinated - is a requirement for return to District facilities and in-person work and learning.

Changes to exposure protocols: Vaccinated staff do not have to quarantine if exposed so long as they have no symptoms, but they will need to get tested. Vaccinated students, if asymptomatic, must quarantine, yet they can test after Day 5 and return to school on Day 7 if healthy and negative. Unvaccinated cases will quarantine for 10 days and return only if there is a negative COVID test and no symptoms.

New protocol for handling “false positives” – if individual is asymptomatic, has no known exposure, is in a low prevalence setting, and tested positive less than 48 hours ago, individual is isolated, close contacts are quarantined and individual takes another PCR test. If negative, individual will be allowed to return to campus once health department reviews and approves.