



Reopening Protocols for K-12 Schools: Appendix T1

Recent Updates

10/21/20: Updated to modify the proportion of students who may receive specialized services on campus at any one time. While larger schools may still only have up to 10% of full student capacity on campus at one time, schools with fewer than 100 students primarily serving students with IEPs and/or English Learners may provide permitted services to up to 25% of full student capacity at a given time, as long as the school can adhere to distancing, infection control, and cohorting requirements. A supervising adult may be assigned to 2 different stable student cohorts if the adult offers specialized services/supports that cannot be provided by any other supervising adult. College admission tests, including PSAT, ACT, and SAT exams, may be conducted at schools as long as students are appropriately cohorted and physical distancing and infection control practices are adhered to for the duration of the test. Schools that provide child care services for school-aged children on their campus must file a notification to LAC DPH. A County waiver program that allows return of students in grades TK – 12 for general in-classroom instruction is open and accepting applications.

Required and recommended practices for student transportation on buses have been updated and clarified.

Alternatives to EPA approved disinfectants including bleach or alcohol-based disinfection solutions along with cautions for use have been added. Guidance and cautions around use of hand sanitizers containing ethyl alcohol versus isopropyl alcohol have been revised.

Recent changes highlighted in yellow throughout the document.

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health is adopting a staged approach, supported by science and public health expertise, to enable schools serving students from kindergarten through grade 12 to reopen safely. In addition to the conditions imposed on schools by the State Public Health Officer and the California Department of Education, schools must also be in compliance with these employee and student safety and infection control protocols.

Please note: This document may be updated as new information and resources become available. Go to <http://www.ph.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/> for updates to this document.

This document starts with a discussion of current provisions for on-campus education in Los Angeles County, followed by information about safety strategies specific to the school environment.

The TK-12 reopening checklist starts on page 4, and provides safety measures in five areas:

- (1) Workplace policies and practices to protect employee and student health
- (2) Measures to ensure physical distancing
- (3) Measures to ensure infection control
- (4) Communication with employees, students and families of students and the public
- (5) Measures to ensure equitable access to critical services.

