



COVID-19 Update 3/10/20

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Dear Rocklin Academy Family of Schools Families and Staff,

This morning the Placer County Public Health Department in collaboration with the Yolo County Public Health Department, issued an updated recommendation to residents of Placer and Yolo Counties [Placer County Recommended Mitigation Measures](#). At this time they are implementing mitigation measures that will slow the spread of COVID-19 in the community to protect those who are most vulnerable to severe illness and allow the health care system to prepare resources to take care of severely ill patients.

We wanted to reach out directly to share the steps that we will be taking in accordance with the recommendations detailed in the [CDPH and California Department of Education joint guidance under Scenario II or higher](#). These recommendations change depending on specific circumstances at a school site. We, as a county, and within our school districts are currently in **Scenario II**: Measures to be taken if there are two or more community transmission cases of COVID-19, but no individuals within the school test positive.

At this time ALL Rocklin Academy Schools are in Scenario II. No student or staff member has tested positive for COVID-19 and our schools are open.

In addition to the interventions, we have already had in place and items as outlined in Scenario I linked above, CDPH recommends school administrators implement the following steps which will be in place through April 12th, unless otherwise instructed:

<u>Area</u>	<u>Required Action March 11 through April 12, 2020</u>
Travel (non-athletic)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overnight field trips are being canceled at this time.• Regular daily field trips are being evaluated on a case by case basis. <p>We will continue to evaluate risks associated with any and all travel.</p>

Travel - Athletic	<p>All California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) sponsored athletics in competitions will be held as scheduled, with the appropriate settings in place to allow for social distancing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non CIF sponsored athletic events (elementary and middle school sports) are suspended. • Indoor and outdoor sports are limited to immediate family spectators only.
Events	<p>All RAFOS events currently scheduled through April 12th will be postponed or canceled. Events include, but are not limited to, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assemblies and large gatherings have been suspended including dances, performances and extra-curricular activities. • PSP organized events and meetings. • Student-organized events, including those organized by ASB and school clubs. • All non-RAFOS events scheduled to occur at RAFOS schools are canceled up to April 12th.
Parent Volunteers - Site/Campus Community Mitigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will be limiting visitors to our schools by not allowing entry to those who have had symptoms of fever and/or respiratory infection in the last week or who have a travel history over the course of the last 14 days to an area identified by the CDC as Level 2 or higher CDC Travel Notices. • Social distancing best practices will be implemented for visitors to maintain 3-6 feet of personal space from students and staff.
Student Health Care Protocol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students with any fever and/or respiratory infection symptoms should not come to school. According to the new guidance they should stay home if they are sick until they have had no fever, cough or other respiratory symptoms for at least 72 hours after symptoms resolve or 7 days after symptoms began, whichever is longer. • Absences related to illness are excused without the need for a doctor's note.

We are continuing to work with our authorizers and neighboring districts on interventions related to student safety and the implementation of the recommendations of public health agencies that are identified in Scenario II.

We want to provide you with the next steps in the event that we have an exposure that necessitates movement to the next scenario. These are the recommendations and our expected next steps if Scenario III occurs.

Scenario III: Measures to be taken if one student, teacher or staff member tests positive for COVID-19 and exposed others at the school.

If one student, teacher or staff member tests positive for COVID-19 and has exposed others at the school, CDPH recommends that school administrators implement the following steps:

- In consultation with the local public health department, the appropriate school official may consider if school closure is warranted and length of time based on the risk level within the specific community as determined by the local public health officer. At RAFOS we will continue to remain in contact and under direction of the Placer County Health Department for guidance if one of our schools should fall into this category. We continue to explore distance learning options in the event of a school closure.
- In consultation with the local public health department, school officials will determine readmission criteria after a school closure.
- Parents, teachers and staff are reminded of the importance of community social distancing measures while a school is closed, including discouraging students or staff from gathering elsewhere.

As this situation continues to evolve we want to ensure to all our families that we remain committed to protecting the safety and wellness of our students and staff. We continue to update our website with relevant resources, so we encourage you to visit our [website](#) often. Thank you for your flexibility and understanding as we navigate through this uncharted territory.

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