COVID-19 School Guidance Checklist

Name of Local Educational Agency or Equivalent: Yolo County Office of Education

Number of schools: Three

Enrollment: 440

Superintendent (or equivalent) Name: Garth Lewis

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County: Yolo

Grade Level (check all that apply)

☒ TK ☒ 2nd ☒ 5th ☒ 8th ☒ 11th
☒ K ☒ 3rd ☒ 6th ☒ 9th ☒ 12th
☒ 1st ☒ 4th ☒ 7th ☒ 10th

Current Tier: Purple

Type of LEA: County Office

This form and any applicable attachments should be posted publicly on the website of the local educational agency (or equivalent) prior to reopening or if an LEA or equivalent has already opened for in-person instruction. For those in the Purple Tier and not yet open, materials must additionally be submitted to your local health officer (LHO) and the State School Safety Team prior to reopening, per the CDPH Guidance on Schools. The email address for submission to the State School Safety for All Team for LEAs in Purple Tier is: K12csp@cdph.ca.gov

LEAs or equivalent in Counties with a case rate >=25/100,000 individuals can submit materials but cannot re-open a school until the county is below 25 cases per 100,000 (adjusted rate) for 5 consecutive days.
For Local Educational Agencies (LEAs or equivalent) in ALL TIERS:

☒ I, ___Garth Lewis_________________________, post to the website of the local educational agency (or equivalent) the COVID Safety Plan, which consists of two elements: the COVID-19 Prevention Program (CPP), pursuant to CalOSHA requirements, and this CDPH Guidance on Schools, and accompanying documents, which satisfies requirements for the safe reopening of schools per CDPH Guidance on Schools. For those seeking to open while in the Purple Tier, these plans have also been submitted to the local health officer (LHO) and the State School Safety Team.

I confirm that reopening plan(s) address the following, consistent with guidance from the California Department of Public Health and the local health department:

☒ Stable group structures (where applicable): How students and staff will be kept in stable groups with fixed membership that stay together for all activities (e.g., instruction, lunch, recess) and minimize/avoid contact with other groups or individuals who are not part of the stable group.

Please provide specific information regarding:

How many students and staff will be in each planned stable, group structure? (If planning more than one type of group, what is the minimum and maximum number of students and staff in the groups?)

Students will be grouped in a cohort for the entirety of their in-person learning schedule (this will include recess, lunch and instructional time). Cohort groups will include up to 16 individuals (using different combinations of students and staff depending on the group, but not to exceed 16 individuals). Individual cohort groups will not mix with other cohort groups on campus.

If you have departmentalized classes, how will you organize staff and students in stable groups?

We will not be using departmentalized classes. Instead, we will be using stable cohort groupings of students with not more than 16 individuals per cohort.

If you have electives, how will you prevent or minimize in-person contact for members of different stable groups?

We will be using stable cohort groupings of students with not more than 16 individuals per cohort for elective courses, which the cohort will attend within the same cohort they are in to receive other in-person instruction.

☒ Entrance, Egress, and Movement Within the School: How movement of students, staff, and parents will be managed to avoid close contact and/or mixing of cohorts.

☒ Face Coverings and Other Essential Protective Gear: How CDPH’s face covering requirements will be satisfied and enforced for staff and students.

☒ Health Screenings for Students and Staff: How students and staff will be screened for symptoms of COVID-19 and how ill students or staff will be separated from others and sent home immediately.
Healthy Hygiene Practices: The availability of handwashing stations and hand sanitizer, and how their safe and appropriate use will be promoted and incorporated into routines for staff and students.

Identification and Tracing of Contacts: Actions that staff will take when there is a confirmed case. Confirm that the school(s) have designated staff persons to support contact tracing, such as creation and submission of lists of exposed students and staff to the local health department and notification of exposed persons. Each school must designate a person for the local health department to contact about COVID-19.

Physical Distancing: How space and routines will be arranged to allow for physical distancing of students and staff.

Please provide the planned maximum and minimum distance between students in classrooms.
Maximum: _______________ feet
Minimum: _______6______ feet. If this is less than 6 feet, please explain why it is not possible to maintain a minimum of at least 6 feet.
N/A

Staff Training and Family Education: How staff will be trained and families will be educated on the application and enforcement of the plan.

Testing of Staff: How school officials will ensure that students and staff who have symptoms of COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 will be rapidly tested and what instructions they will be given while waiting for test results. Below, please describe any planned periodic asymptomatic staff testing cadence.

Staff asymptomatic testing cadence. Please note if testing cadence will differ by tier:
N/A

Testing of Students: How school officials will ensure that students who have symptoms of COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 will be rapidly tested and what instructions they will be given while waiting for test results. Below, please describe any planned periodic asymptomatic student testing cadence.

Planned student testing cadence. Please note if testing cadence will differ by tier:
We do not plan to perform asymptomatic testing of students, regardless of Tier.

Identification and Reporting of Cases: At all times, reporting of confirmed positive and suspected cases in students, staff and employees will be consistent with Reporting Requirements.

Communication Plans: How the superintendent will communicate with students, staff, and parents about cases and exposures at the school, consistent with privacy requirements such as FERPA and HIPAA.

Consultation: (For schools not previously open) Please confirm consultation with the following groups
☒ Labor Organization Name of Organization(s) and Date(s) Consulted:

Name: California School Employees Association (CSEA)
Date: ___February 18, 2021____________________________

Name: Yolo Education Association (YEA)
Date: ___February 18, 2021____________________________

Name: The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Union (AFSCME Certificated and Classified Chapters)
Date: ___February 18, 2021____________________________

☒ Parent and Community Organizations

Name of Organization(s) and Date(s) Consulted:

Name: Community Advisory Committee
Date: ___February 18, 2021

If no labor organization represents staff at the school, please describe the process for consultation with school staff:

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For Local Educational Agencies (LEAs or equivalent) in PURPLE:

☒ Local Health Officer Approval: The Local Health Officer, for (state Local Health Jurisdiction) ________________________________. Local Health Jurisdiction has certified and approved the CSP on this date: _________________. If more than 7 business days have passed since the submission without input from the LHO, the CSP shall be deemed approved.

Additional Resources:

Guidance on Schools
Safe Schools for All Hub

Note: This checklist was amended on January 29th to delete language regarding the need to submit this checklist to a County Office of Education. The CSP does not need to be submitted to the County Office of Education as part of the public health guidance, though the County Office of Education may request the CSP as part of other processes.