



GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S “SAFE SCHOOLS FOR ALL” PLAN

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At this writing the plan has not been passed by the legislature so aspects of this presentation are subject to change.

- Should it pass, Districts may apply either by February 1 or March 1, 2021.
- Applications submitted by Feb 1, 2021 provide a per pupil allocation of \$450.
- Applications submitted by March 1, 2021 provide a per pupil allocation of \$337.50.

Resource Hub for COVID Updates and Reopening Plans: [California's Safe Schools for All Hub](#).

GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S SAFE SCHOOLS FOR ALL Plan, continued

Funds are available for use until December 31, 2021, and may be used for any purpose consistent with providing in-person instruction for any pupil participating in in-person instruction, including, but not limited to:

- Salaries for certificated or classified employees providing in-person instruction or services
- Social and mental health support services provided in conjunction with in-person instruction
- COVID-19 testing
- Personal protective equipment
- Ventilation and other site upgrades necessary for health and safety

SAFE SCHOOLS PLAN FOR REOPENING IN PURPLE TIER

K-6 schools in counties in Purple Tier with Case Rate (CR) >25: Schools serving students in grades K-6 may not reopen for in-person instruction in counties with adjusted CR above 25 cases per 100,000 population per day.

Districts may post and submit a COVID Safety Plan (CSP), but they are not permitted to resume in-person instruction until the adjusted CR has been 25 or less per 100,000 population per day for at least 5 consecutive days.

This case rate reflects recommendations from the Harvard Global Health Institute analysis of safe school reopening policy.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE PLAN – ANY SUBMISSION

Submit and post the District's COVID-19 Prevention Plan and Covid-19 School Guidance Checklist

Requests much of the same information found in the SMFCSD Reopening Plan

Requires consultation with labor, parent and community organizations with respect to this Plan

Requires student testing protocols

Requires certification that students have computing devices and internet to participate in Distance Learning

REQUIREMENTS OF THE PLAN – FEBRUARY 1 SUBMISSION

All of the above AND...

By February 16, 2021, the District must provide optional in-person instruction consistent with the COVID-19 School Safety Plan to pupils in the following groups if CR is 25 or less per 100,000:

- Students with disabilities
- Youth in foster care
- Homeless children
- Students without access to a computing device, software, or high-speed internet access necessary to participate in online instruction
- TK-2nd grade students

By March 15, 2021, the District must provide optional in-person instruction consistent with the COVID-19 School Safety Plan to all pupils enrolled in elementary schools, up to grade 6, as applicable if CR is 25 or less per 100,000.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE PLAN – MARCH 1 SUBMISSION

All of the above AND...

By March 15, 2021, the District must provide optional in-person instruction consistent with the COVID-19 School Safety Plan to pupils in the following groups if CR is 25 or less per 100,000:

- Students with disabilities
- Youth in foster care
- Homeless children
- Students without access to a computing device, software, or high-speed internet access necessary to participate in online instruction
- TK-5th/6th grade students

ADDITIONAL REOPENING CONSIDERATIONS

Provide Distance Learning for students who request it.

Initiate a phased implementation of the Hybrid Model which may include:

- Shifting from full-time Distance Learning to Hybrid.
- Gradually allowing for specified grades and/or a percentage of each grade to resume in-person learning, beginning with the youngest and most disproportionately impacted students.
- Allowing for a gradual number of students, at a specified capacity, per grade or school site.

ADDITIONAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

All public and private K-12 schools must notify their local health officer of any student or employee that tests positive for COVID-19 and has been present on site at a K-12 public or private school campus within 24 hours.

Beginning January 25, 2021, all public and private K-12 schools must notify the California Department of Public Health of information related to school closures as well as numbers of students served in in-person instruction, hybrid models and distance learning, on a twice-monthly basis.

DIRECTION REQUESTED

If this plan is approved by the legislature, staff requests Board direction on whether to submit the application and, if yes, whether to submit by February 1 or March 1, 2021.