



Glen Rose ISD
COVID-19 Protocols
2021-2022

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The Glen Rose Independent School District is closely monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and is in contact with the Centers for Disease Control, Texas Department of State Health Services, Texas Education Agency, and local health officials to ensure all students and staff members are safe and updated with the latest information

The district will continue to develop and revise health and safety protocols for 2021-2022 that are aligned with guidance from federal, state, and local health authorities.

Please Note: Glen Rose ISD procedures and protocols are subject to change as updated guidance is provided by the TEA, local/state/federal health officials, or local/state/federal governance.

Watch for COVID-19 Symptoms

People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Anyone can have mild to severe symptoms. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

This list does not include all possible symptoms. CDC will continue to update this list as we learn more about COVID-19. Older adults and people who have severe underlying medical conditions like heart or lung disease or diabetes seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19 illness.

[Center for Disease Control and Prevention](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19/symptoms)

Protective Measures

5% Confirmed COVID-19 Campus Guidelines

Face masks/shields are **highly recommended** for staff, visitors, and students indoors when social distancing is difficult, including classrooms.

Temperature screenings are required for all students as they board buses or parent drop-off.

8% Confirmed COVID-19 Campus Guidelines

Glen Rose ISD may consider one or more of the following:

- Consider a specific grade level going home.
- Consider a specific class going home (this will be based on a percent of the total number of students assigned to the class.)
- Consider closing the designated campus.

NOTE: At any point the percent drops below 8% students and staff will return to campus.

Extracurricular Activities

Glen Rose ISD will evaluate each organization on a case-by-case basis to determine if the COVID-19 virus is widespread within the organization. (Percentage of the total number of participants.)

Parent/Guardian Role

- Expected to screen their students for COVID-19 symptoms each day prior to sending their child to school.
- Parents should self-check their child's temperature each day (100.4 or higher).
- Keep your child at home if they are exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms.
- Keep all your children at home if anyone in the home is positive for COVID-19
 - Refer to quarantine protocols
- If you keep your child or children at home, notify the campus nurse.
- As recommended by local health officials consider having your child vaccinated if they are eligible.
- Do not administer medication to suppress symptoms and then send your child to school. This needlessly exposes our students and staff.
- Encourage your child to practice good hygiene at home and school.
- Be mindful of activities outside of school and avoid any situations that may put your child in danger of contracting the COVID-19 virus.

Quarantine Protocols

Persons who have had close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 and who meet either of the following criteria DO NOT need to stay at home and quarantine:

- Test positive for the COVID-19 virus in the past 3 months
- Have been fully vaccinated

Unvaccinated Staff and Students- Close Contact

- Any staff and students that are not vaccinated and who have had close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 should quarantine at home and test five to seven days after exposure. If negative and symptom free return to school on the eighth day. (Contact the campus nurse for more options regarding rapid testing.)
- If you do not test for the COVID-19 virus, you must stay home for 10 calendar days and return to campus on the 11th day.
- Per the Texas Education Agency Glen Rose ISD will require household-based close contact students to stay at home during the stay-at-home period if they are in an area with high or rising COVID-19 case rates. This applies specifically to students who are close contact because an individual who lives in the same household is COVID-19 positive.

Vaccinated Staff- Close Contact

- For staff who meet the close contact threshold with a COVID-19 positive individual, if these staff members continue to work on campus, rapid testing must be performed periodically for 10 days post-exposure.

Individuals Confirmed or Suspected with COVID-19

Staff and students who test positive for COVID-19 virus must not return to school for 10 days.

Protocols for Disinfecting and Hand Sanitizing

General

Frequent disinfection and hand sanitization will ensure the health and wellness of students and staff.

Hand Washing/Sanitizing Expectations

- Alcohol-based hand sanitizer will be available at the main entry to the campus, in classrooms, in the cafeteria and in common areas throughout the campus.
- Staff and students will be expected to regularly wash or sanitize their hands.
- Requirement for hand washing and/or use of GRISD-provided hand sanitizer:
- Provide hand sanitizer upon entry to classroom, exiting the classroom and periodic teacher reminders during the instructional day
- Thorough hand washing after recess, before eating, following restroom breaks

Disinfecting Expectations

- Staff will have access to disinfectant to sanitize high-touch and working surfaces and shared objects regularly.
- Staff will limit the use of shared supplies when possible.

Protocols for Campus Cleaning and Disinfecting

Frequent cleaning and disinfecting will promote a healthy learning and work environment for students and staff.

Daily Campus Cleaning	Additional Cleaning Measures
Each classroom and restroom will be disinfected daily. (Prior to school, during the school day, and after school.	If a classroom or facility is closed due to COVID-19 spread, quaternary disinfectant, which is recommended for use on the virus that causes COVID-19, will be used to defog and disinfect.
All high touch areas will be disinfected daily.	Custodial staff will defog and disinfect classrooms, restrooms, the athletic indoor turf field, weight room, locker rooms and all additional areas in the entire building.
Cleaning cloths will be changed for each classroom and common area to maximize room to room cleanliness.	Germ Blast will sanitize all district facilities every 3 months.
The cafeteria will be disinfected between lunch periods	

Staff and students will have access to disinfectant sprays and wipes to sanitize working surfaces and shared objects after each use and during breaks in instruction	
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COVID-19 Resources

[Texas Department of State Health Services](#)

[Department of State Health Dashboard](#)

[Center for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

[Texas Health and Human Services](#)

Texas Coronavirus Information

COVID-19 Vaccines

Texas Education Agency COVID-19