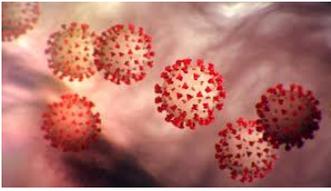


Ganado ISD COVID-19 Information



Ganado ISD is genuinely concerned about the recent rise in COVID positives and close contact cases in the district. I am asking that we all, please take precautionary measures for the health and safety of the students, staff, and community.

CDC Guidance on Isolation due to COVID Positive

- Stay Home - Do not leave your home, except to go get medical care. Do not visit public areas
- Get Rest and stay hydrated
- Stay in touch with your doctor
- Separate yourself with other people - stay in a specific room and away from other people and pets in your home as much as is possible

CDC Guidance on Quarantine due to Close Contact

- Stay home for 14 days after your last contact with a person who has COVID-19
- Watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath, or other COVID-19 symptoms
- Stay away from people, especially people who are high risk for getting very sick from COVID-19

COVID Symptoms

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

Please do not come to school or send your child to school if they have any of the above listed symptoms. Call the campus secretary or district nurse to report the illness/symptom and move your student to online learning by communicating via email to their teacher(s).

CDC Guidance on When to Get Tested

- All people who have symptoms of COVID-19
- People who have had close contact with someone confirmed with COVID-19
- People who have been referred to get testing by their healthcare provider or health department
- Those who get tested should quarantine/isolate at home pending test results

Close Contact Information

The CDC defines close contact as someone who is within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes from 2 days prior to the illness onset (asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to positive specimen) until the time the patient is completely isolated.

- Avoid prolonged exposure to any person during this time without a mask
- If an individual has symptoms there is an increased risk of exposure if you are closer than 6 feet for any amount of time

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COVID Positives in Your Home

If someone in your home tests positive, it is a requirement to keep all of the members of your household home for close contact. Do not send students to school who have a member of the family at home who has tested positive for COVID. Notify the school if you are keeping your child home due to a family close contact. We will ask for the date of the COVID positive and will require a 14 day quarantine.

Face Mask Order

Consistent and correct use of masks over the nose and mouth is required. One of the ways to slow the spread of the virus is to wear a mask appropriately, over the nose and mouth, anytime you are around another person (within 6 feet). I encourage all of us to have ongoing conversations about appropriate mask wearing.

CDC Preventative Actions

- Wash your hands frequently - before eating and prepping food, after using restroom, after leaving a public place, after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing, after handling your mask, after caring for the sick, after touching animals or pets
- Use hand sanitizer when washing is not available - at least 60% alcohol
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Stay at least 6 feet apart from other people
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash and wash your hands
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Wear a mask at all times in public

Attendance Requirements for all Students

During the 14 day quarantine or a COVID positive, students are required to attend school online. They must log in at least 180 minutes a day grades 3-5 and 240 minutes a day at the secondary level, check in with their teachers and do all assignments that are assigned and provided to them through the online learning platform - Google Classroom. Grades PK-2nd will follow the online and assignment schedule designed by their teacher(s). Work must be turned in by the due date or the late work policy will apply.

The Texas Education Agency and Texas Education Code 25.092 requires that truancy laws still be in effect when schools go to remote instruction. "Students are required to attend at least 90% of their classes to receive credit and to be promoted."

Additional Mitigation the School will be Doing

- Students, teachers and custodial staff will be cleaning the surfaces of desks after a single use
- All students, teachers and staff members who enter a building or a room will use hand sanitizer upon entry and exit of every classroom
- All students and staff are required to wear a mask at all times
- Some of the close contacts have occurred during lunch time. Therefore, additional spacing precautions will be taken at this time in the cafeteria and during lunch in order to increase social distancing.