



BLUE OAK SCHOOL

A WALDORF-INSPIRED PUBLIC CHARTER (K-8)

Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan

On Monday, July 12, 2021, the California Department of Public Health (“CDPH”) issued updated K-12 school guidance for the 2021-22 school year, which establishes both required and recommended health and safety protocols for the coming school year. In addition, the California Department of Education (“CDE”) reminded schools that a condition of receiving their American Rescue Plan ESSER III funds is for each school to prepare and post an LEA Plan for the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services (“SRIPICS”). With this new guidance, schools now have different rules that will need to be incorporated into reopening plans for the 2021-22 school year.

Young, Minney, & Corr

On Tuesday August 11, 2021 Governor Newsom issued additional requirements concerning COVID 19 testing for the opening of schools.

The following Blue Oak Safety Procedures are based on that guidance. For a link to the guidance document please go to our [website](#).

1. Masks

- a. Masks will be expected indoors by students and for all staff in the presence of students

Mask Requirement Matrix			
Low Transmission 0-9 cases/100,000 in the last 7 days	Moderate Transmission 10-49 cases/100,000 in the last 7 days	Substantial Transmission 50-99 cases/100,000 in the last 7 days	High Transmission 100+ cases/100,000 in the last 7 days
Students will be reminded to wear a face covering in any indoor setting	Students will be reminded to wear a face covering in any indoor setting. If a student refuses to wear face covering, a school official will call home and report to the parent. If a student is reminded a second	Students must enter the indoor setting with a face covering on and keep it on. If a student refuses to wear a face covering, the student will be removed from the setting. A parent conference will be scheduled. Results of	Students must enter the indoor setting with a face covering on and keep it on. If a student refuses to wear a face covering, the student will be removed from the setting. A parent conference will be



BLUE OAK SCHOOL

A WALDORF-INSPIRED PUBLIC CHARTER (K-8)

	time, a parent conference will be scheduled. Results of the conference may include disciplinary action or placement into the Independent Study Program.	the conference may include disciplinary action or placement into the Independent Study Program.	scheduled. Results of the conference may include disciplinary action or placement into the Independent Study Program.
--	---	---	---

- b. Persons exempted from wearing a face covering due to a medical condition, must wear a non-restrictive alternative, such as a face shield with a drape on the bottom edge, as long as their condition permits it.
- c. Face coverings are optional in all outdoor settings.
- d. Face coverings will be provided if a student does not have one.
- e. In limited situations where a face covering cannot be used for pedagogical or developmental reasons, (e.g., communicating or assisting young children or those with special needs) a face shield with a drape can be used instead of a face covering while in the classroom as long as the wearer maintains physical distance from others. Staff must return to wearing a face covering outside of the classroom.
- f. It is recognized that wearing a mask for a full school day is an increase from The 2020-21 experience.

2. Hand hygiene

- a. Blue Oak will Continue teaching and reinforcement of hand washing, avoiding contact with eyes, nose and mouth, covering coughs and sneezes throughout the day.

3. Staff Vaccination Requirements

Staff who have been or intend to be vaccinated must show verifiable proof of vaccination. If they are not able to share verifiable proof they will be required to be tested for COVID 19 on a weekly schedule.

4. Physical Distancing / Small Group Requirements

- a. No minimum physical distancing or isolation of groups will be required, though eating physical distance will be maximized with outdoor seating when possible



BLUE OAK SCHOOL

A WALDORF-INSPIRED PUBLIC CHARTER (K-8)

5. Ventilation & Cleaning

- a. Facilities staff will continue to monitor ventilation and will properly maintain and replace filters.
- b. Facility will be cleaned and disinfected once a day.
- c. If a person has been reported as sick with COVID 19 within the last 24 hours, any area used by them will be cleaned specifically.

6. When Sickness Occurs

- a. Families and students will be expected to stay at home when sick and get tested.
- b. Staff and students with symptoms of COVID-19 infection will be directed not to return for in-person instruction until they have met CDPH criteria to return to school for those with symptoms:
 - i. At least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications; and
 - ii. Other symptoms have improved; and
 - iii. They have a negative test for SARS-CoV-2, OR a healthcare provider has provided documentation that the symptoms are typical of their underlying chronic condition (e.g., allergies or asthma) OR a healthcare provider has confirmed an alternative named diagnosis (e.g., Streptococcal pharyngitis, Cocksackie virus), OR at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset.
- c. COVID-19 will be reported to the local public health department per AB 86.
 - i. The school nurse will act as Blue Oak’s COVID-19 liaison.

7. Quarantine

- a. Blue Oak supports and follows CDPH under the advice of the school nurse.

8. Visitors and Volunteers

Any adults on campus including visitors and volunteers must show proof of vaccination or proof of a negative test that is less than a week old. Volunteers working on campus will be tested weekly. If they are not able to share verifiable proof they will be required to be tested for COVID 19 on a weekly schedule.

Visitor and Volunteer Matrix			
Low Transmission	Moderate	Substantial	High Transmission



BLUE OAK SCHOOL

A WALDORF-INSPIRED PUBLIC CHARTER (K-8)

0-9 cases/100,000 in the last 7 days	Transmission 10-49 cases/100,000 in the last 7 days	Transmission 50-99 cases/100,000 in the last 7 days	100+ cases/100,000 in the last 7 days
Visitors will be reminded to wear a face covering in any indoor setting. Volunteers will be required to wear a face covering in the indoor setting.	Visitors will be reminded to wear a face covering in any indoor setting. Volunteers will be required to wear a face covering in the indoor setting.	Limit nonessential visitors, volunteers, and external groups with people who are not vaccinated. All will be required to wear a face covering in any indoor setting.	Only allow access to direct service providers. They will be required to wear a face covering in any indoor setting.

CDPH anticipates revisiting the masking requirement no later than November 1, 2021. We propose revisiting this policy at that time.

Blue Oak Charter Council will review and update this policy no later than the next regularly scheduled board meeting after any CDPH update.