



MMCA Response to California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Guidance for 2022-23 School Year

Optimizing Air quality

MMCA installed REME HALO air purification systems in every HVAC unit on campus. MMCA will continue to use MERV-13 filters with each HVAC unit, and change all filters every 90 days.

Using Facemasks

Wearing a mask is optional, both indoors and outdoors, at MMCA for all students/staff. No student/staff shall be discriminated against for choosing to wear or not wear a mask at MMCA. No student/staff will be prevented from wearing a mask as a condition of participation in an activity or entry into a school. As needed, MMCA will provide masks to students/staff who chose to wear one while on campus.

COVID-19 testing

MMCA will provide rapid antigen tests to any student or staff member that request them for personal use. State provided COVID tests are available in the front office.

Maintaining Clean Hands

MMCA will continue to teach and reinforce proper [handwashing](#) to lower the risk of spreading viruses, including the virus that causes COVID-19. MMCA will ensure there are adequate supplies to support hand hygiene behaviors, including soap, tissues, no-touch trash cans, and hand sanitizers with at least 60 percent alcohol for staff and children who can safely use hand sanitizer.

Managing Individuals with Symptoms of COVID-19

Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- **Fever (100.4 F/38 C or higher)**
- **Cough**
- **Nausea or vomiting**
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Diarrhea

Staff and students may return to school/work when they have met the following CDPH criteria:

1. At least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications; **AND**
2. Other symptoms are improving; **AND**

3. 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, Coxsackie virus),
OR at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset.

Managing Students Exposed to COVID-19

MMCA will utilize the Group Tracing Protocol we implemented last spring (CDPH, 3/9/22) - when students or staff are exposed to a positive case, either in school or at home. The Group Tracing Protocol includes:

- Upon a positive case in a K-12 classroom or cohort, all school staff and parents of students in the class or cohort will be notified by the school that their child has been exposed to COVID-19 and recommend testing and monitoring for symptoms. An exposure is defined as a cumulative total of 15 minutes (within a 24-hour time period) in a shared indoor airspace with someone with COVID-19 during their infectious period.
- Testing is strongly recommended for all students exposed to a positive case 3-5 days after their exposure date. Upon request, RUSD will provide a rapid antigen test to any symptomatic student/staff member for self-testing.

Cleaning Facilities

MMCA classrooms will be cleaned regularly to ensure a healthy environment for staff and students. High touch surfaces will be cleaned more frequently. In the event of a confirmed positive case of COVID-19, the classroom will be disinfected immediately utilizing antiviral measures.

Food Services

As practicable, MMCA will utilize both indoor and outdoor spaces during lunch periods. MMCA is also continuing its smaller lunch/lunch recess groups to ensure 80 students or less with each group to maximize spacing opportunities.