



# Child Care Resource & Referral (R&R) Program

February 9, 2021

Matthew Tinsley - Santa Clara County Office of Education  
Melinda Landau – Santa Clara County Public Health Department  
Melinda Waller – Santa Clara County Department Operations Center  
Raquel Dietrich - Santa Clara County Office of Education



# Please Sign In

[tinyurl.com/y25nylwg](https://tinyurl.com/y25nylwg)

We use this to send you the presentation and other important information.



# Webinar Etiquette

- Please use the Q&A box to submit your questions to the presenters.
  - Due to time constraints, we may not be able to address every question today, but they will be used to inform the FAQs.
- Your audio will be muted.
- If you are experiencing technical difficulties while viewing the webinar, please submit a question in the Q&A.



# Welcome

- We will hold webinars on most Tuesday nights to provide information and answer questions.
- **Today, we will be presenting on scenarios and lessons learned from cases in early learning and care programs.**
- Please write questions you have on any topic into the Q&A. Questions that we are unable to answer today we will answer in next week's webinar.



# ECE Staff Vaccination Requirements

- You can spread deadly diseases even before you feel sick. Getting vaccinated helps keep the children you care for safe.
- Senate Bill No. 792 requires childcare staff and volunteers in California to show proof of vaccination against these dangerous diseases: measles, whooping cough, and flu. Proof of flu vaccination is required annually.
- Contact your Child Care Licensing Regional Office for questions on the requirement (SB 792 - <http://bit.do/regionaloffices>)
- Additional resources: [www.shotsforschool.org](http://www.shotsforschool.org)



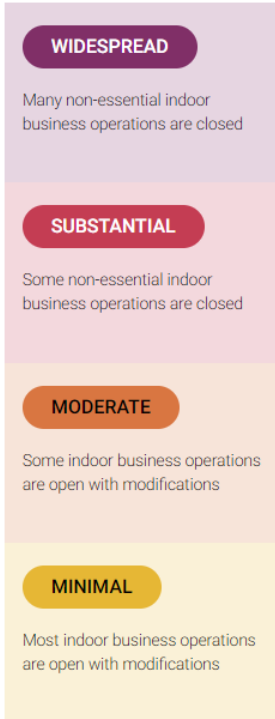
# Vaccine Update

County of Santa Clara Health System has expanded COVID-19 vaccination to individuals age 65 and older. Appointments are available at multiple locations across the County. Appointment scheduling and information at [www.sccfreevax.org](http://www.sccfreevax.org)

Teachers, childcare workers, and support staff members in the education sector will be offered COVID-19 vaccine as part of the State of California's Phase 1B. When the vaccine providers in Santa Clara County are able to vaccinate those in the education and childcare sector, they will do so. You can register for updates from the state at [www.myturn.ca.gov](http://www.myturn.ca.gov)



# Current Risk Level - Purple



Santa Clara County is in the highest risk level with widespread COVID transmission

The Regional Stay-At-Home order has been lifted but all the county restrictions and guidance continue to apply.

**Be prepared for cases among your staff and students and follow the guidance carefully.**



# Quarantine Post-Travel

**Leisure and non-essential travel are strongly discouraged, and the Mandatory Directive on Travel requires people to quarantine for 10 days upon return to the County from travel of more than 150 miles.\***

\* Per 11/28 revisions to the County Health Officer's orders





# Common Questions and Guidance After Investigations



# Scenario 1: Day Care Reporting Positive Cases

Day Care reports 3 staff test positive. A Public Health investigator calls to discuss practices at the day care.

- Questions from the PHD investigator included:
  - Walk me through how you screen students and staff before they enter.
  - Tell me how many people are in each group or class?
  - Is everyone wearing a mask?



# Q1: Walk me through how you screen students and staff before they enter your building

## Answer Given

- “We check everyone’s temperature before they enter the building.”

## Something missing?



# Q1: Walk me through how you screen students and staff before they enter your building

## SCC “Programs Serving Children and Youth” Directive

“Programs shall require daily COVID-19 symptom screening for all personnel and Program participants, on-site and/or prior to arrival. Figure 1, below, provides a recommended health screening.”

1. Within the last 10 days have you been diagnosed with COVID-19 or had a test confirming you have the virus?

Yes – STAY HOME and seek medical care.

2. Within the past 14 days, have you had close contact with someone who has been in isolation for COVID-19 or had a test confirming they have the virus? Close contact is less than 6 feet for 15 minutes or more.

Yes – STAY HOME and seek medical care and testing.

3. a. Have you had any one or more of these symptoms today or within the past 3 days?

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Loss of taste or smell
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Yes – STAY HOME and seek medical care and testing.

b. Have you had any one or more of these symptoms today or within the past 3 days and that are new or not explained by another reason?

- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea

Yes – STAY HOME and seek medical care and testing.



## Q2: Tell me how many people are in each group?

### Answer Given

- ❑ We have 12 children in each group led by 1 staff.
- ❑ We just added a new student to the group yesterday.
- ❑ We have 1 staff member who rotated into each class to let the group leader take a break.
- ❑ Parents sometimes stay a few minutes at the beginning of the day to help settle the children.

### What do you think?



## Q2: Tell me how many people are in each group?

### Answer Given

- ❑ We have 6 children in each group led by 1 staff.
- ❑ We just added a new student to the group yesterday.
- ❑ We have our program director rotate into each class to let the group leader take a 10-minute break.
- ❑ Parents sometimes stay a few minutes at the beginning of the day to help settle the children.



# Parents sometimes stay a few minutes at the beginning of the day to help settle the children.

- Parent participation is not allowed at this time to minimize the number of adults in close contact with children/youth and personnel.
- Parents or other individuals dropping off or picking up older children or youth by car should be encouraged to remain in their vehicles to the extent possible. If in-person drop-off or pickup is necessary, only a single individual should drop off or pick up the child/youth. Programs should consider allowing parents or other individuals to drop off or pick up children/youth at the entrance of the Program's facility, if any, instead of allowing them to enter the facility.
- Programs shall only allow necessary visitors and limit the number of students and staff who come into contact with them.



# Q3: Is everyone wearing a mask?

## Answer

- Usually, almost everyone is wearing a mask while indoors.

## What do you think?





“Usually, almost everyone is wearing a mask while indoors.”

## Answer

1. All personnel shall wear a face covering at all times while at work.
2. All adults picking up or dropping off children/youth must wear face coverings.
3. Children 2 and older must wear face masks



# Scenario 1: Day Care Reporting Positive Cases

## PHD

### Finding/Recommendations

1. Day Care must do a full symptoms screening every day.
2. Parents should be encouraged to stay in their car when dropping off children, or drop children at door .
3. All staff, parents and children over 2 must wear masks.

### Final tally of cases

- Started with 3 staff cases.  
Final tally:
  - 6 staff
  - 2 children (both 2 year olds)



## Scenario 2: Day Care delays providing Close Contact information with Public Health

Close Contact information is not provided to Public Health because the Day Care provider is concerned about sharing confidential information



## Scenario 2: Day Care delays providing Close Contact information with Public Health

Childcare programs are required to provide information about cases and close contacts pursuant to the Health Officer's order. The Health Officer has the authority under state law to take whatever measures are necessary to prevent the spread of disease or occurrence of additional cases.



# Please Sign In

[tinyurl.com/y25nylwg](https://tinyurl.com/y25nylwg)

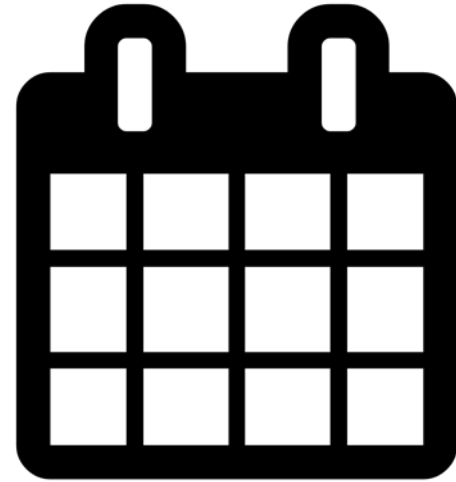
We use this to send you the presentation and other important information.



# Next Meetings

**Tuesdays, 6 - 7pm**

February 16, 23



# Next Meeting

**Topic TBD**



# Other Important Resources

Free COVID testing information: [www.sccfreetest.org](http://www.sccfreetest.org)

Influenza vaccination information: [www.sccphd.org/flu](http://www.sccphd.org/flu)

Information for childcare providers: [www.sccgov.org/childcare](http://www.sccgov.org/childcare)

Resource and Referral website: [www.childcarescc.org](http://www.childcarescc.org)





# Contact Us

Santa Clara County Office of Education  
Resource and Referral Department  
childcarescc@sccoe.org  
669-212-KIDS (5437)



# Emergency Operations Schools Unit

## got questions?

- What guidance applies?
- My childcare facility is struggling to implement . . .
- Are there resources for . . .



**EOC Schools Unit**

M - F ☐ 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

[schools@eoc.sccgov.org](mailto:schools@eoc.sccgov.org)

(408) 808-7812



# Connect with SCCPHD

## Social Media



For COVID-19 information: [www.sccgov.org/covid19](http://www.sccgov.org/covid19)

For specific guidance:

<https://www.sccgov.org/sites/covid19/Pages/school-guidance.aspx>



# Connect with SCCOE

## Social Media



[Ed Bulletin](#) (e-newsletter)

[www.sccoe.org](http://www.sccoe.org)

<https://www.sccoe.org/covid-19/Pages/default.aspx>



# Emergency Operations Schools Unit

## got questions?

- What guidance applies?
- My childcare facility is struggling to implement . . .
- Are there resources for . . .



**EOC Schools Unit**

M - F ☐ 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

[schools@eoc.sccgov.org](mailto:schools@eoc.sccgov.org)

(408) 808-7812

