“Schools will have a mixed population of both people who are fully vaccinated and people who are not fully vaccinated. . . These variations require K-12 administrators to make decisions about the use of COVID-19 prevention strategies in their schools to protect people who are not fully vaccinated. . . Together with local public health officials, school administrators should consider multiple factors when they make decisions about implementing layered prevention strategies against COVID-19.”

- CDC July 9, 2021 Guidance
DAILY HEALTH CHECKS FOR STUDENTS & STAFF:

- Daily student temperature checks performed at home before coming to site
  - touchless thermometers available at site
- Staff must complete daily health check on BCOE Schools Self Screening App before entering school site, as per BCOE reopening guidance
- Daily health check signage posted at school entrances
- Students or staff must not come to school if temperature is 100.4 or higher

PLAN FOR SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:

- Identify student isolation areas on site
- Daily assess for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and take temperature
- If temp is 100.4 or higher, or positive for other symptoms, follow steps below:
  - Mask and isolate in pre-designated isolation area
  - Contact school nurse, health aide or designated on-site supervisor
  - Contact parent/guardian and send home asap
  - Nurse, health aide or supervisor will advise parents/guardians that students may return only based on public health guidelines
  - Clean & sanitize health office and/or isolation area as well as student’s classroom
  - Have all students and staff follow CDC guidelines for hand washing
  - Contact custodial services to disinfect
- Nurse determines notification of Butte County Public Health

PLAN TO ADDRESS POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES:

- Contact school nurse
- Follow plan coordinated by local public health officials
- Separate suspected infected person from general population until removed from campus
- Supervisor reports positive COVID-19 case information to hrcovidsupport@bcoe.org

BENEFITS OF BEING FULLY VACCINATED:

- **COVID 19-vaccines are effective.** They decrease the chances of getting and spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. COVID-19 vaccines help keep you from getting seriously ill even if you do get COVID-19. Getting vaccinated yourself may also protect people around you, particularly people at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
- Fully vaccinated students may remain in school and avoid interruptions to in-person education, even if they are exposed to someone with COVID-19, so long as they remain without symptoms.
**PHYSICAL DISTANCING:**
- Recent evidence indicates that in-person instruction can occur safely without minimum physical distancing requirements when masking is implemented.

**HYGIENE PRACTICES:**
- Post hand washing protocols throughout school and in restrooms
- Hand washing or hand sanitizing required upon entrance and exit to classrooms and restrooms
- Hand washing or sanitizer stations should be at entrance of school and each classroom
- Explicit instruction regarding hand washing and hand sanitizing for all staff and students

**PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:**
- **Face Coverings:**
  - Under age 2 - not required
  - Outdoors, masks are optional for all students and staff
  - Indoors, for TK-12 student masks are required, with exemptions per CDPH face mask guidance
  - Staff - required at school sites with students present
  - Staff - required if not vaccinated, in all settings
    - Fully vaccinated employees are not required to wear a facial covering in the workplace (except at schools when children are present) as long as they have completed and submitted a Certification of Vaccination (attached here) to their supervisor
    - Supervisor will provide Certification documents to BCOE Human Resources
  - Teachers should teach and reinforce use of face coverings
  - Gloves and gowns may be required in some schools and situations

**NOTE:** 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.
CLEANING, SANITIZING AND DISINFECTING:
- Use CDC Guidelines
- Disinfecting will be scheduled regularly
- Hand sanitizer stations are located in high traffic areas
- Site administrators will coordinate with M&O for related supplies
- Programs on district campuses will follow local school and district guidelines
- Schools/programs on non-BCOE property will collaborate with partnering agency
- Procedures will be developed for disinfecting equipment commonly used for various students

TRAINING SUPPORT:
- Safety Guidelines
- Staff Self-Reporting of Symptoms

COMMUNICATION:
- Schools will communicate necessary messaging to school community
- Schools will establish procedures to communicate all conditions related to the pandemic
- BCOE will follow all laws regarding notifications of known cases as required

EMPLOYEE ISSUES:
- Contact your supervisor or contact the BCOE Human Resources Executive Director or the BCOE Human Resources Operations Director. If contacting Human Resources by email, send communication to HRCovidSupport@bcoe.org