

COVID Updates for 2021-22 School Year

Dear Lake Arrowhead Christian School Parents and Students,

We are excited and looking forward to the return of our students to our campus in a few weeks! As we approach a new school year and find ourselves still in the midst of a pandemic, we are so grateful for the grace God has poured out on LACS during the past year and a half. We are so proud and appreciative of the massive efforts our staff has taken to comply with the ever-changing landscape of COVID-19 guidance and requirements. Our students' and families' cooperation has been key to our ability to continue with in-person instruction. We have been so impressed with our school community's ability to navigate the cumbersome and sometimes polarizing requirements.

This partnership has enabled LACS to:

- quickly pivot to a successful online education model at the start of the pandemic, leading other local schools in our speed and efficiency to adapt
- remain open, and provide in-person instruction for the 2020-2021 school year because of our efforts to comply with COVID protective measures
- provide athletic conditioning and competition while strategically working with the public health requirements.

Our primary goal and objective remains to provide in-person education for our community of students and families. As you know, information regarding COVID-19 and the Delta variant continue to be fluid, and federal and state requirements continue to evolve. We ask for your continued cooperation and patience as we navigate implementing updated COVID-19 requirements.

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) recently issued [updated guidance for all California K-12 schools](#). CDPH states it will reassess conditions and determine whether to change mask guidelines by **November 1**.

We will continue to review further updates and seek clarification on the new guidance, but in the meantime, below are highlights of the COVID-19 safety protocols and operations required for all California schools.

UPDATED COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS:

- Students are **required to wear masks while indoors**, regardless of vaccination status
- Students and staff **will not** be required to wear masks **outdoors**
- In-person instruction can occur without physical distancing when universal masking is in place
- When in the presence of students, staff is **required** to wear masks while **indoors** at schools, regardless of vaccination status
- School bus: masks required for students and staff, regardless of vaccination status
- Allowable face mask exemptions in place last school year will continue (for details, please see [CDPH FAQ's](#))

- LACS will comply with the CDPH requirement for school staff to verify vaccination status, or undergo weekly testing.

For questions or concerns related to the mandated CDPH health directives, [contact the CDPH directly](#).

Please encourage your child to continue to follow all of the good hygiene practices and stay home when sick.

MORE TO FOLLOW:

Again, we thank you for your family's efforts and cooperation over this last year and a half. We are so appreciative of the partnership that our students and families have exhibited throughout this pandemic. Your continued cooperation enables our campus to stay open as we navigate the ever-changing challenges due to COVID-19.

We will continue to monitor various efforts at the state level to challenge the mask mandate, as well as the CDPH's statement to reassess conditions and determine whether to reverse the mask mandate by November 1.

We encourage any families struggling with the mask requirement to contact your various government and health officials.

Please join us in prayer as we navigate this challenging season.



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