

# **Pandemic Plan**

Furlow Charter School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of our scholars, advisors, and families. We will follow the most updated CDC and DPH guidance regarding our response to COVID-19. The FCS Safety and Emergency Plan policy on school closure will still be followed in conjunction with this plan.

## **Key highlights of the most updated guidance:**

- Schools are not required to conduct contact tracing.
- Schools are <u>not required to close a classroom</u> after a scholar or advisor has COVID-19 while in the class.
- It is recommended that schools notify any groups or classrooms that may have been exposed so that families and staff may determine the need for quarantine, testing, or additional precautions.

#### What this means for Furlow:

- <u>Scholars and Advisors who test positive for COVID-19 are required to isolate for 5 days</u> from the date symptoms start.
- Classes will receive a notification if someone in the class has tested positive.
- Close contacts will not be required to quarantine. Families that choose to quarantine their scholar(s) will need to notify the school by contacting their child's advisor <u>AND</u> either calling 229-931-8671 or emailing covid-communication@furlowcharter.org. The CDC recommends that persons who have been exposed to COVID-19 and are NOT up to date on COVID-19 vaccinations stay home and quarantine for at least 5 days, wear a well-fitting mask if you must be around others in your home, and get tested at least 5 days after having close contact with someone with COVID-19.
- Daily spread calculations will no longer be calculated.

### Quarantine if you were exposed

Quarantine and stay away from others when you have been in <u>close contact</u> with someone who has COVID-19.

#### Isolate if you are sick or test positive

<u>Isolate</u> when you are sick or when you have COVID-19, even if you don't have symptoms.

#### **Daily Precautions**

- Increased frequency for handwashing/hand sanitizer opportunities
- Masks provided and encouraged
- Disinfectant in every classroom

#### Examples of precautions that will be taken depending on current CDC guidance

- · Lunch in the classrooms
- · Fogging by trained professional
- Drinking spouts disabled