

School Safety Health Advisory Committee

September 8, 2021
Agenda

Welcome/Introductions
SSHAC 101

Health & Safety COVID Update
Legislative Update

School Safety Health Advisory Committee

2021-2022 SSHAC Board

Shelley Szucs, Chair (CCE parent)

Maram Museitif, Secretary (HCMS parent)



SSHAC Establishment

The Eanes ISD School Safety and Health Advisory Council (SSHAC) was established by the Eanes Independent School District in accordance with:

- Chapter 28, Sections 28.002 and 28.004; and Chapter 38, Section 38.014 of the Texas Education Code
- Enacted by Senate Bill 19 during the 77th session of the Legislature of the State of Texas in 2001.



SSHAC Purpose

The SSHAC serves as an advisory committee to the Board with consultation to the district administration:

- Assist the district in ensuring local community values are reflected in the district's health education instruction. District must consider the recommendations of the SSHAC before making changes to the district's health education curriculum or instruction.
- Assists the district in working toward the implementation of coordinated health programs for elementary and middle school students.

The Eanes ISD Board of Trustees may expand the scope of SSHAC activity to advise on health and safety issues as they arise.



2021-2022 Meeting Dates

Social Emotional Learning
Eanes ISD SEL 5 Competencies



Source: CASEL

September 9th

October 13th

November 10th

January 12th

February 9th

March 9th

April 13th

May 11th (SSHAC Heroes)

District Wellness and Safety Updates

- Health and Safety Updates
 - Molly May, Chief Student Support Officer
 - Jeremy Trimble, Chief Operations Officer
 - Matt Greer, Director of Safety and Risk Management
- SEL and Wellness Updates
 - Heidi Sauer, Coordinator of Counseling and SEL
 - Laurie Lee, Chief Human Resources Officer
- Food and Nutrition Update
 - Richard Mallard, Director of Child Nutrition



COVID Protocols & Updates

August 24, 2021

Board Meeting Presentation

Molly May, Chief Student Support Officer
Laurie Lee, Chief Human Resources Officer



What a Difference a Year Makes

Last Year

- State, Governor, TEA, City, County, APH, CDC all aligned
 - Masks
 - Quarantines
- Remote school funded
- Blended option allowed
 - No vaccinations until spring

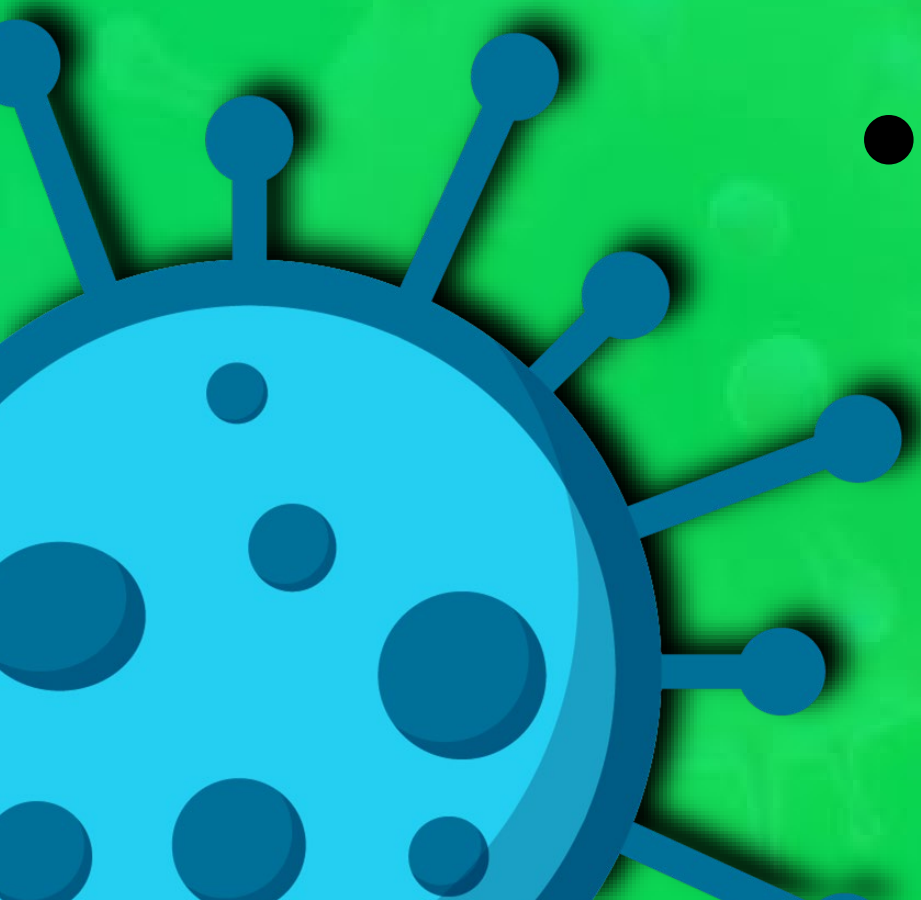
This Year

- Several government agencies debating in court which has authority
- Remote school NOT funded
- Blended option NOT allowed by TEA
- Many adults and teens now vaccinated



Safety Protocols

- Plexiglass dividers are available for elementary student homeroom desks upon parent request processed thru campus
- Disposable masks are available if a staff member, student or visitor forgets their own personal mask
- Assigned seats on buses are established once ridership balances out after the first two weeks of school
 - Stringent campus cleaning and air quality controls are maintained, continuing practices implemented during the 2020 -21 school year



Recent COVID Mitigation Strategies

- Campus visitors are significantly limited to only appointments for the foreseeable future
- Back-to-school nights for secondary schools will be virtual; elementary grade-level orientations will be limited to smaller, contained audiences this week
- Student assemblies will be paused until after Labor Day or until conditions subside



Student Services & Human Resources

Eanes ISD COVID Vaccination Clinic

Eanes ISD is continuing relationships with partners to provide future vaccinations clinic opportunities

- Gathering interest from Staff and Community for first dose vaccinations

Third Dose Booster:

- Walk-in clinics available at APH
 - APH is considering larger vaccination venues similar to last year



Student Services & Human Resources

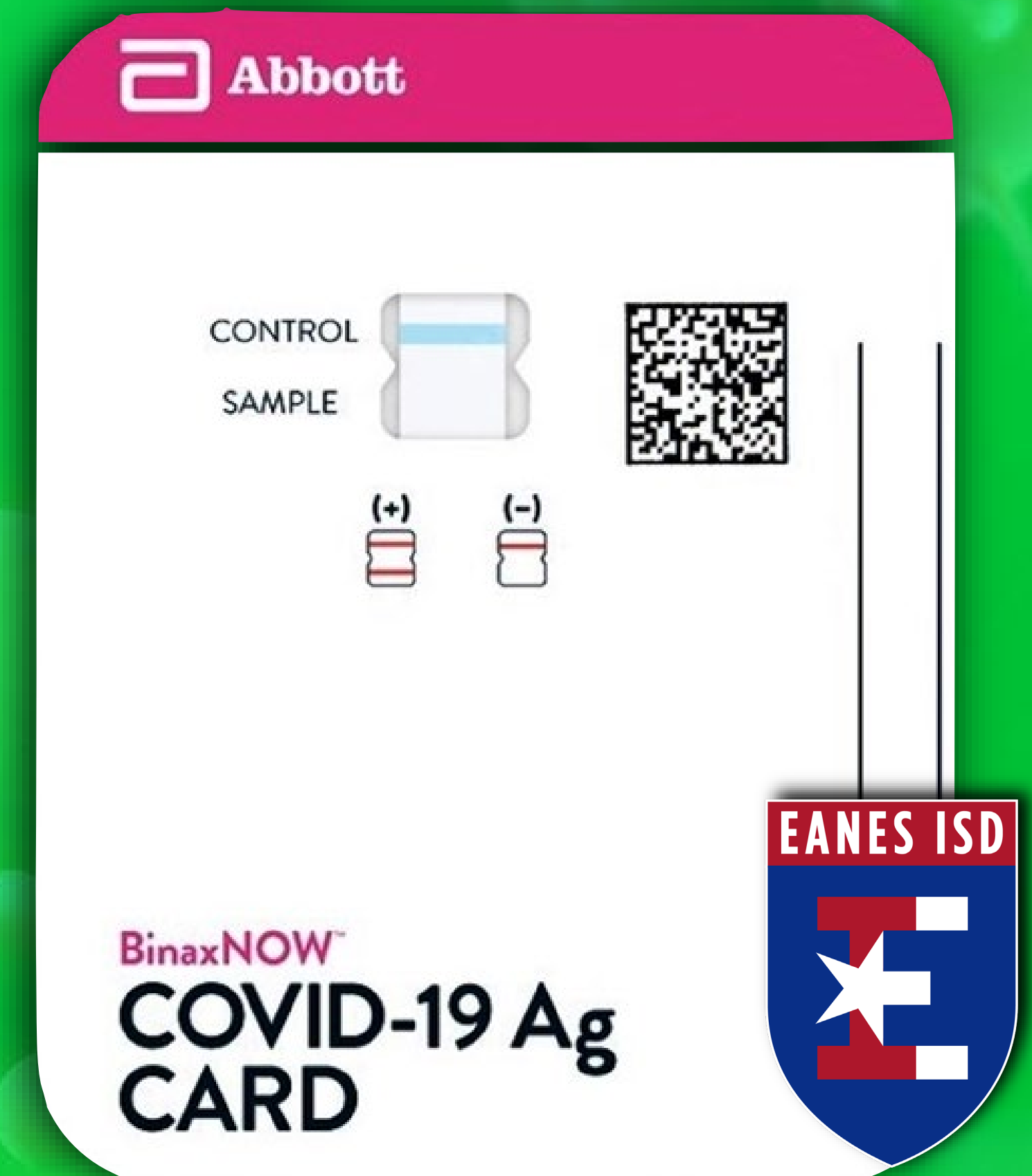
Eanes ISD COVID Testing Clinic

Total Number of Tests provided to Staff and Students : ~1800 since testing began in the spring

TEA Requirements - For Staff who meet the close contact threshold with a COVID-19 positive individual, if these staff continue to work on campus, rapid testing must be performed at the start of the day, at least once every other day until the end of day 10.

(TEA Public Health Guidance, Aug. 19, 2021)

Continuing to provide Testing Clinics:
Hire Testing Coordinator



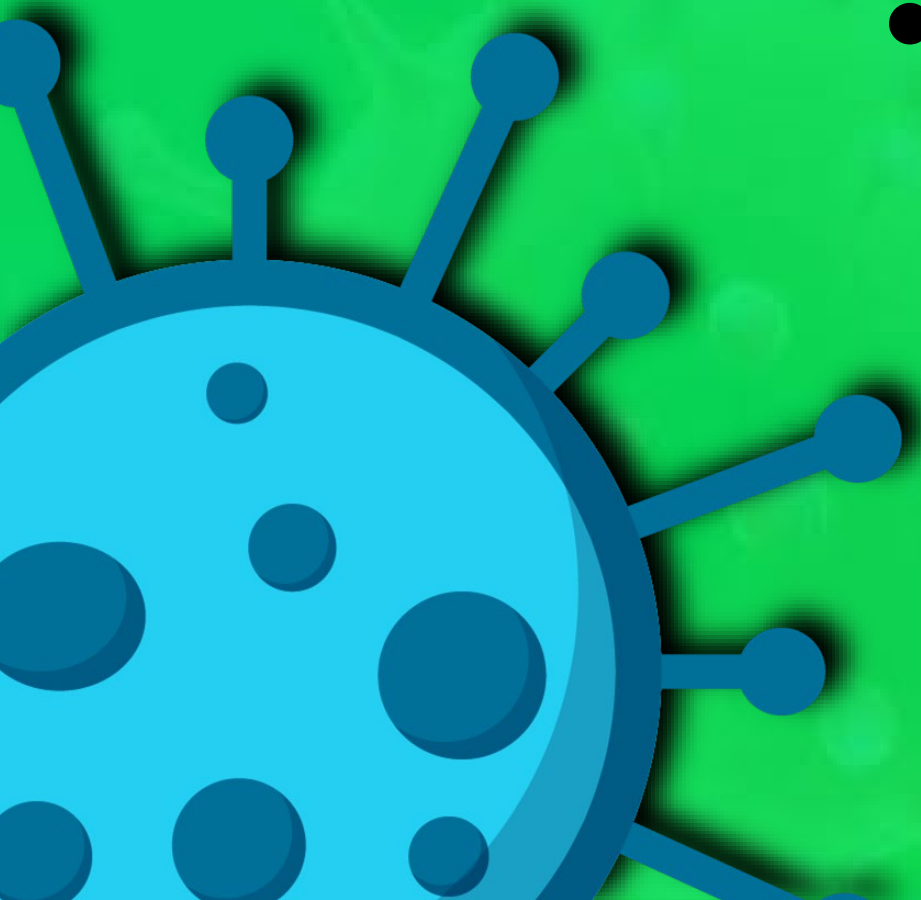
Human Resources

Proposed Paid COVID Leave Benefits for Employees

Retroactive to July 1, 2021 through the end of the 2021 -22 fiscal year, Eanes ISD administration recommends providing additional paid COVID -19 leave for all regular employees

The employee will be provided 10 additional paid leave days, one time during the 2021-2022 school year under the following conditions:

- The employee is identified as having a lab-confirmed positive test for COVID -19
 - The employee is unable to work due to documented quarantine closure pursuant to Federal, State, or local government order or school district decision. Specifically district closure of EISD classroom, school or facility not a self-quarantine



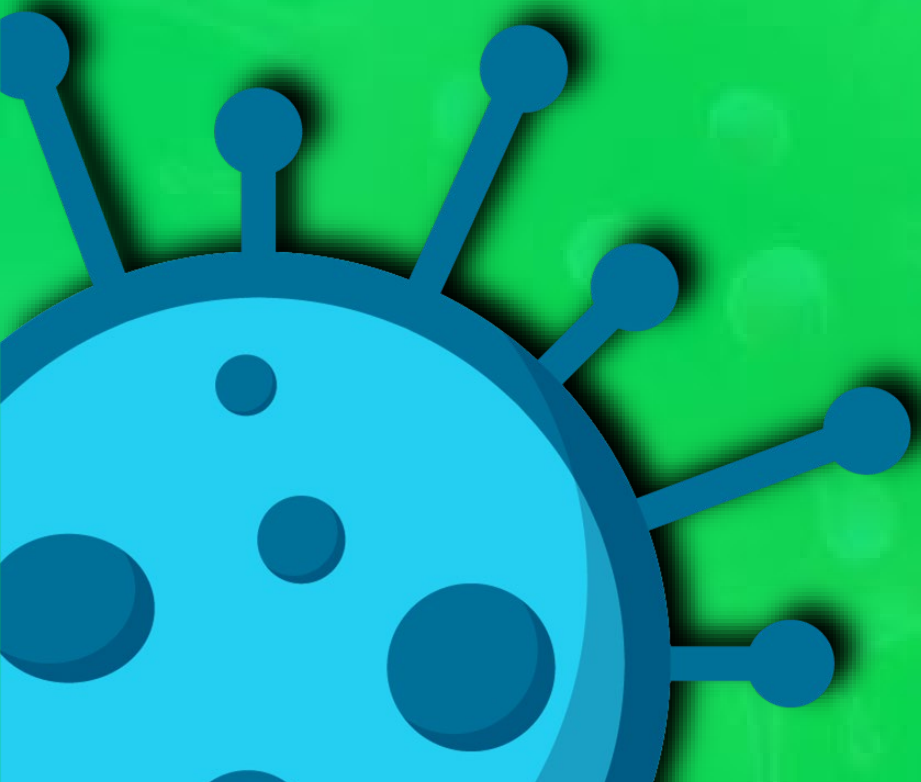
Student Services: Contact Tracing/Quarantine

- Elementary: Notifications to grade level, specific homeroom and bus
- Secondary: Individual classes, bus, extra-curricular
- Close Contacts: Not required to quarantine (per TEA)
- Definition has evolved:

Masking

Vaccination status

K-12 Exemption (CDC Aug. 5, 2021)

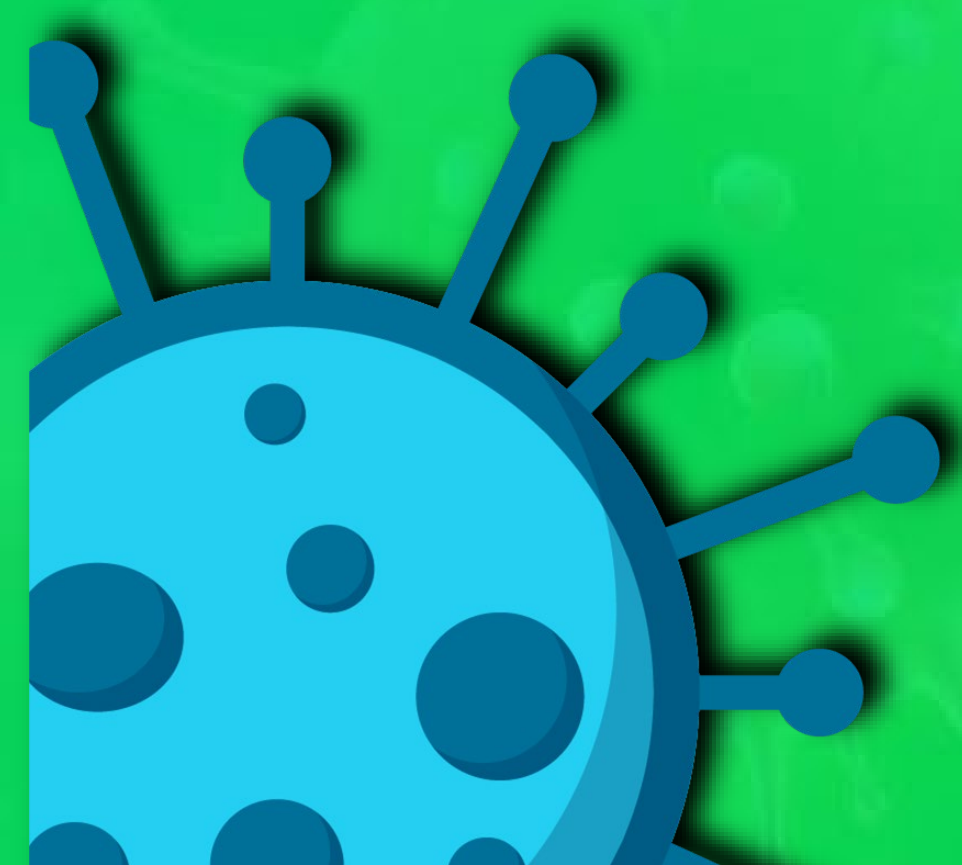


Student Services: Contact Tracing/Quarantine

Close Contacts:



Exception: In the K–12 indoor classroom setting, the close contact definition excludes students who were within 3 to 6 feet of an infected student (laboratory-confirmed or a [clinically compatible illness](#)) if both the infected student and the exposed student(s) [correctly and consistently](#) wore well-fitting [masks](#) the entire time.



Student Services: COVID-19 Dashboard

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COVID-19 Dashboard

Eanes ISD will update the COVID-19 dashboard to further transparency and share active, positive COVID-19 cases on our campuses. Notifications will be sent to individual classes/extracurriculars/buses when there is a confirmed positive case. We will update the dashboard for all campuses and the district daily, excluding weekends and holidays. Positive cases reported after 5pm will be reflected the following day.


A positive case indicates a staff member or student who was onsite in a district facility has tested positive for COVID-19. Per the CDC, those who test positive for COVID must isolate for 10 days from the date of the positive test. Once the individual is cleared to return, their case is removed from the dashboard.

Employees



15


Positive **Active** Cases



1,155


Total Number of Employees

Students



35

Positive **Active** Cases



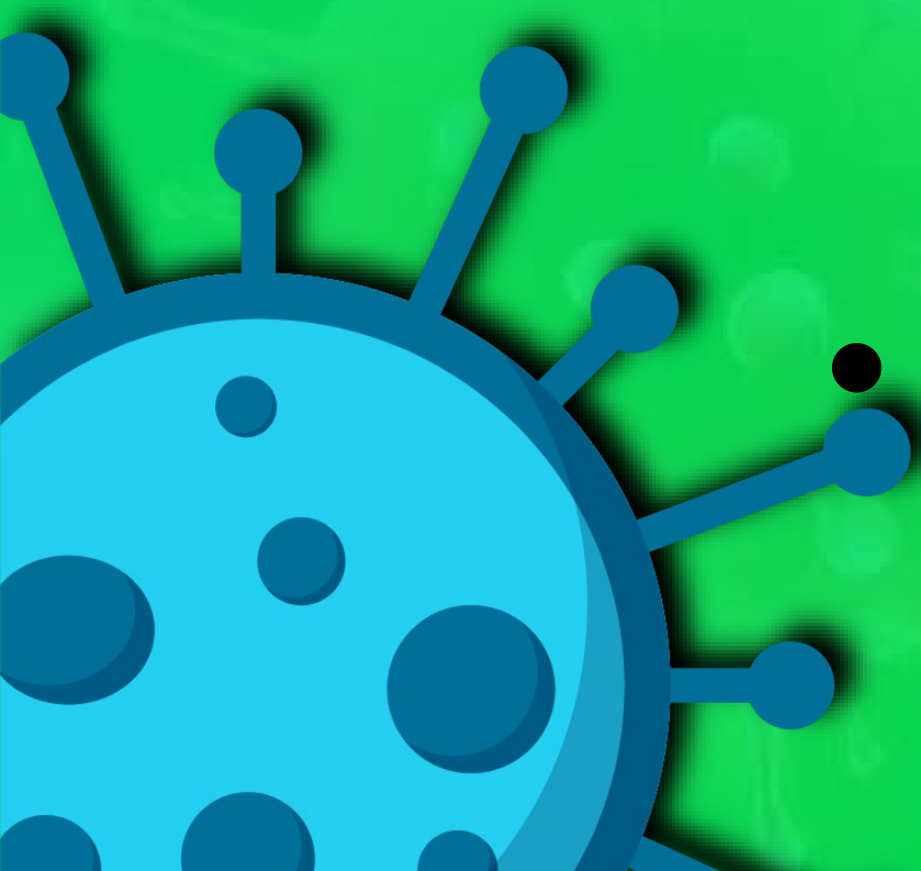
8,028

Total Enrollment

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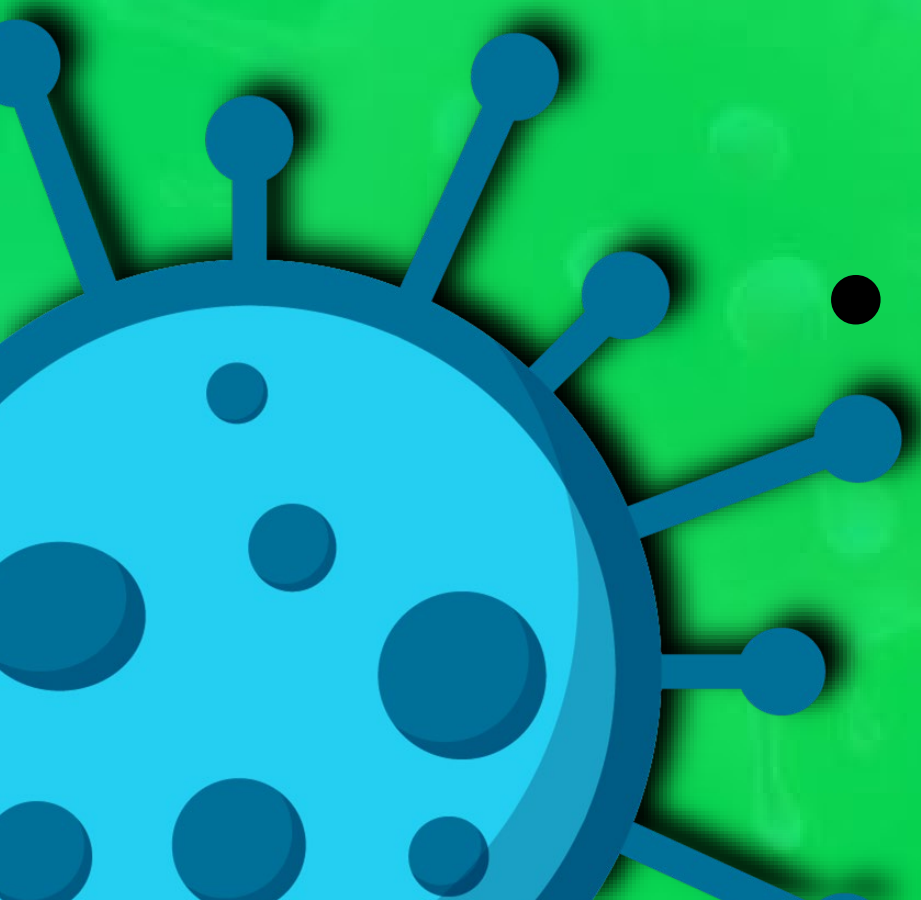
Student Services: Nurses

- Part of each campus COVID/Contact tracing team
- Work with individual families to set return dates
- Coordinate with Matt Greer on District Dashboard and report information to Austin Public Health
- Continue to follow Texas Department of School Health Services guidelines about communicable diseases
- Communicate with district personnel around individual PPE needs of staff



Student Services: Homebound

- Staff going into a student's home to provide homebound - no waiver required
- Any instruction that involves a remote component - waiver required for individual student
- Updated guidance from TEA around General Education Homebound - no concurrent instruction
- Currently awaiting on approval process for waivers already submitted
- Soliciting interest from teachers who are willing to provide homebound services



Legislative Updates

HB 1525

- SHAC Procedures - At least 72 hours before meeting: post notice of date, hour, place and agenda; bulletin boards/website
 - Audio/video recording, minutes, content of deliberations and votes
- SHAC & Human Sexuality - Board passes resolution that SHAC be convened for the purpose of making recommendations for human sexuality instruction
 - Hold two public meetings before adopting recommendations
 - Provide recommendations to the board

Legislative Updates

HB 1525

- Human Sexuality Curriculum
 - Notice of content
 - Notice of opting in
 - Parent's right to review or purchase
 - Posting materials

Legislative Updates

HB 699

- Absences resulting from a serious of life-threatening illness
 - Requires district to excuse absences with doctor certification
 - Absences exempted from minimum required attendance

Legislative Updates

HB 1080

- UIL Activities for Students Receiving Mental Health Services
 - No exclusion based on student receiving outpatient mental health services

Legislative Updates

HB 1535

- Compassionate Use of Low-THC Cannabis
 - Expands compassionate care use for patients with certain medical conditions

Legislative Updates

SB 179

- Counselor Work Time
 - Board adopted policy requiring school counselors to spend at least 80% of counselor's total work duties on components of school counseling program

Legislative Updates

SB 2050

- Bullying Policies and Reporting
 - Adds board adopted policies for prevention and mediation of bullying incidents
 - Annual student surveys
 - Annual reporting through PEIMS

