



**2022-23 COVID-19 CAMPUS
GUIDELINES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Effective September 7, 2022

International School of Louisiana (“Charter”) Charter recognizes that our students and employees want things to return to normal as quickly as possible. Unfortunately, until the COVID-19 pandemic is completely behind us, it is impossible for things to go back to the way they were prior to COVID-19 – at least for the foreseeable future. These procedures are subject to change at any time in response to local health conditions, governmental restrictions, medical and scientific advice and data, and other relevant factors.

Accessing Campus, Personal Behavior While On Campus

All individuals should do their part to prevent the potential spread of COVID-19.

1) Mask use:

- a) Students and adults who would like to wear a mask are encouraged to do so.

2) Personal hygiene and proper etiquette:

All employees and students are expected to practice good hygiene. To that end:

- a) Employees and students should wash or sanitize hands:
 - upon arrival on campus;
 - before and after eating;
 - before and after using equipment (for example, but not limited to, play equipment, gym equipment, copier, computers, printers, and lab equipment).

- b) Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- c) Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash, or cough/sneeze into your elbow.
- d) High touch areas will be sanitized once a day.
- e) Employees are required to clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces by using school-provided sanitizing and cleaning materials.
- f) Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Hand sanitizer will be made available throughout the campus.

Hand sanitizer will be made available to all employees, students, and third-party visitors in multiple locations throughout the school campus. Appropriate cleaning supplies will be made available to employees.

Student and Employee Health Screenings

If you are sick or feel like you may become sick, stay at home and do not report to the school campus.

1) On Campus Isolation:

- a) Anyone showing signs of COVID symptoms will be isolated in accordance with the school nurse's recommendations. If the person is a student, the parent or legal guardian will be contacted immediately and required to come and pick-up the child. Under extreme symptoms, the school reserves the right to contact the health department or emergency medical personnel. If the person is an employee, the person will have to leave campus immediately and may not be isolated.
- b) The isolation area will be cleaned after it is occupied by any employee or student showing the above symptoms or reporting potential exposure to a person that tested positive for Covid-19.

2) Self-Quarantine Policy and Procedure:

- a) Employees and students who have been in close contact on campus with someone who tests positive for Covid-19 will be notified by the school.
- b) School nurses will provide guidance in keeping with current recommendations from the CDC and Louisiana Department of Health.

Return to School After COVID Infection

- a) Employees and students with COVID-19 symptoms and/or a positive test who were directed to care for themselves at home may return to school when at least 24 hours have passed since recovery, meaning:
 - 1) Fever free without the use of fever-reducing medications, AND
 - 2) Improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath), AND
 - 3) At least 5 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.
- b) Persons with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 who have not had any symptoms may discontinue self-isolation when at least 5 days have passed since the date of their first positive COVID-19 diagnostic test.
- c) Employees and students must wear a mask when around others until at least 10 days have passed since their first positive test or their symptoms first appeared.
- d) If the person suspected of having COVID-19 receives a negative molecular/PCR test, the person must still be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to school.
- e) Antigen and antibody tests do not rule out suspected COVID-19 cases.
- f) If the person is participating in virtual learning from home, the person does not need to wait 24 hours before resuming school.

School Operations and Procedures

If necessary, the classroom size, schedule, and office spaces may be reconfigured to allow for proper social distancing between all individuals, including static groups and flight scheduling.

Student Transportation

Adults or children who wish to wear masks on buses are encouraged to do so.

Complaints, Reporting Procedure, and Disciplinary Action

All employees and students are expected to adhere to these guidelines, policies and procedures at all times. If you witness anyone failing to adhere to these guidelines, policies, or procedures, you should report it to your supervisor. If it is determined that an employee or student failed to adhere to established protocols, they may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment or disciplinary consequences in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

In addition, employees and students should continue **immediate mandatory reporting** to their campus nurse of (1) possible symptoms of COVID-19, (2) confirmed positive test for COVID-19, or (3) close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 patient. Quarantine may be required.

This policy will be accessible to everyone via the school website.