



Home of the Roughriders
Pima Unified School District No. 6
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Pima Unified School District Mitigation Plan

Mitigation efforts include all precautionary measures put in place by the school district to reduce the likelihood of transmission of virus from one person to another while participating in school. No single mitigation effort is capable of, or expected to, completely eliminate the possibility of a sick person at school causing others to become sick. Each mitigation effort exists to support the effectiveness of the entire mitigation plan.

Face Coverings:

- All students are required to wear cloth face masks whenever they are inside school buildings or vehicles. They are also required to wear facemasks when engaged in outdoor activities where social distancing is not possible.
 - The district will adhere to the requirements of section 504 to provide needed accommodations for students with medical issues preventing them from wearing a cloth facemask.
- All staff are required to wear cloth face masks whenever they are in the building and the workspace is occupied by more than one person. The workspace is defined as an office or room with a door. There are exceptions to this requirement:
 - Teachers engaged in the instruction of effective communication or phonics with students in the foundational grades or students with disabilities are allowed to substitute a face shield, but should wear a face mask whenever practicable.

Hand Washing:

- Teachers will provide students with access to hand sanitizer in classrooms and common areas.
- Students will have the opportunity to wash their hands throughout the day, especially after using the restroom, eating
- On Demand Hot Water Heaters have been installed in many restrooms that did not have effective hot water heaters.

Screening Students:

- Upon arrival at school or before boarding a school bus each student will have their temperature checked to ensure it is not above 100.4 degrees fahrenheit. Those with an elevated temperature will not be admitted into contact with other students or staff.
- Upon arrival at school or before boarding a school bus each student will be asked if they have been sick or been in contact with another person in their home who has been sick. Students will receive training on what exactly is meant by 'sick'.

Classrooms:

- To the extent possible class size has been kept below the square feet per pupil ratio outlined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

- Students in grades K-8 have been assigned to a single student cohort and will spend their entire school day with that group to facilitate contact tracing should it be needed.
- Schedules have been adjusted to reduce the number of students in hallways and other high traffic areas at one time.

Student Hydration:

- Additional efforts will be made to clean all drinking fountains throughout the day.
 - In an arid environment it is not safe to reduce student access to water.
- Additional bottle filler stations are being installed at locations around campus to support student use of refillable water bottles instead of drinking fountains.
- Students in foundational grades will receive training on appropriate safe practices for use of drinking fountains.

Food Service:

- Students in grades Kindergarten through Sixth Grade will receive breakfast in their classrooms at the beginning of each day. These meals will be provided to students at no cost.
- Students in grades seven through twelve will have the opportunity to purchase breakfast in the cafeteria.
- Students in grades Kindergarten through sixth grade will receive their lunches in the classroom.
- Students in grades seven through twelve will have the opportunity to purchase a lunch in the cafeteria.
- Meals consumed in the cafeteria will be done with appropriate social distancing.

Transportation:

- Additional bus routes have been added to the morning schedule to reduce the number of riders on each bus to a level where appropriate social distancing is possible.
- End of day release times have been adjusted to facilitate more routes to reduce the number of riders on each bus to a level where appropriate social distancing is possible.
- Devices will be installed on each bus to allow the driver to screen those entering the bus for elevated body temperature. Until then, a paraprofessional will ride each bus with thermometers.

Custodial:

- Equipment has been procured and provided to teachers and custodial staff to support more frequent and thorough cleaning of all surfaces.
 - Spray bottles
 - Disinfectant
 - Electrostatic Foggers
 - Disinfecting wipes (where available)
 - Bleach solution and towels (where wipes are not available)
- Additional hours of custodial service have been added to support cleaning of high touch surfaces during the day.