



COVID-19 Protocol: Learning Extension Centers (LEC) Operation

SCREENING AND POSITIVE TEST PROTOCOL FOR RETURNING TO LEC

- All students, Dream Center Staff, and volunteers will have their temperature checked when they enter the LEC building. Everyone must self-screen before coming to a LEC, being mindful of the following:
 - If the individual is experiencing any of the following symptoms, they will not be allowed to attend the LEC until they are symptom free for 48 hours.
 - Body temperature of 100+ degrees in the previous 24 hours
 - Persistent cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
 - Chills
 - Loss of taste or smell
 - Body aches
 - Headache
 - Sore throat
 - Runny nose or congestion
 - If symptoms persist, it is encouraged to be tested for COVID-19 and to follow this protocol:
 - Notify the Dream Center LEC site leader immediately.
 - If test comes back negative, but fever or multiple other symptoms persist, do not return to the LEC until symptoms have cleared for 48 hours without the assistance of medication.
 - If test comes back positive, continue to self-quarantine and follow the CDC's current guidelines for when to return to school:
 - At least 10 days have passed since symptoms FIRST appeared AND
 - At least 48 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications AND
 - Symptoms (cough, shortness of breath) have improved

POSITIVE TEST EXPOSURE PROTOCOL FOR RETURNING TO LEC

- A Dream Center staff, volunteer or student who has been exposed to someone who tested positive for COVID-19 must not return to the LEC for 10 days from the date of exposure.
- Dream Center staff will communicate to parents/guardians if their child has been exposed to an individual with COVID-19.



- “Exposure” is defined as being within 6’ of an infected person for more than 15 minutes. (Source: cdc.gov)
- Dream Center Staff has the authority to trace who has been exposed to COVID-19 while at an LEC.

FACE COVERINGS

- Students will receive a cloth mask on their first day of attending the LEC. Masks will be stored in individual bags in the LEC when students leave for the day. These masks will be cleaned regularly and ready for students to use the next day the LEC meets.
- Masks are required to be worn upon entrance/check-in to the LEC and until leaving except for meal and snack times.
- Dream Center Staff and volunteers are required to wear a cloth face mask, medical mask or plastic face shield while inside the LEC.

HYGIENE AND SANITIZING

- Regular hand washing will be practiced at every LEC during activity changes in the schedule (upon entrance to the LEC, before and after meal/snack times, games, etc.). This instruction will be provided and modeled by Dream Center staff and volunteers.
- Daily cleaning and sanitizing will take place by Dream Center staff and volunteers (before and after meal time, after students leave, etc.). Dream Center staff and volunteers will pay close attention to cleaning high touch surfaces (door handles, desks, shared materials, etc.).
- Every LEC will have soap, hand sanitizer and disinfectants available.

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

- 6’ distance between Dream Center staff and volunteers will be adhered to as much as possible.
- When Dream Center staff and volunteers are working with students on class work, it may be difficult to maintain 6’ distance at all times. Staff and volunteers will also adhere to physical distancing as much as possible.



ASSIGNED SEATS

- Every student will have an assigned desk or table to complete schoolwork at while attending an LEC to help decrease exposure should someone in attendance be infected with COVID-19.
- Students will be seated 3'-6' apart facing the same direction. "Evidence suggests that spacing as close as 3 feet may approach the benefits of 6 feet of space, particularly if students are wearing face coverings and are asymptomatic."
[Source: <https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-planning-considerations-return-to-in-person-education-in-schools/>]

FOOD

- Meals and/or snacks will be provided at an LEC. As discussed under the hygiene protocols, Dream Center staff and volunteers will ensure all safety precautions are adhered to for clean eating surfaces and frequent handwashing.

PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF

- Drop-off will happen at the LEC entrance doors in the following manner:
 - Student arrives into the building one at a time
 - Receives their mask
 - Temperature checked
 - Verbal symptom check ("We're so glad you're here! How are you feeling today?" "Ready for a good day!?")
 - Enters the LEC classroom area
- Pick-up will happen at the LEC entrance doors in the following manner:
 - Students are dismissed one at a time
 - Students will place their mask in their assigned bag

VISITORS

- Dream Center Staff and volunteers are the only adults permitted to be in the LEC.
- Parents and siblings will not be allowed to enter the building during drop-off and pick-up.
- Should Dream Center staff need to communicate with parents in person, it will be done before or after students are in the building, or outside the LEC.