

Health & Safety Precautions 2022-2023

This is a living document subject to change based on COVID-19 updates.

We begin the 2022-2023 school year with great optimism, while maintaining awareness and caution around the health and safety of our students and staff. It is with sincere appreciation that we acknowledge our PCS parents as they continue to monitor their child(ren) daily and keep home those who are ill in consideration of all.

If you or any members of your family have any of the following symptoms, stay home and notify the school office:

Cough
Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
Fever of 100.4 or above
Chills
Muscle pain or body aches
New loss of taste or smell
GI symptoms (e.g., nausea, vomiting or diarrhea)
Sore throat
Headache
Fatigue
Congestion or runny nose (not due to seasonal allergies)

Our teachers will monitor individual students who have symptoms of illness. School staff will work with parents to determine quarantine or isolation based on guidelines from the GA Department of Health and the CDC.

In accordance with current CDC guidelines, a student or staff member who previously tested positive for COVID- 19 must remain out until he/she receives a negative test OR until at least 5 days after symptom onset and resolution of fever for at least 48 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications, and with improvement of other symptoms.

If a family member of a student or staff member has a confirmed case of COVID- 19, the student(s) or staff member must remain at home until at least 5 days have passed since any household member's symptom onset. Any fever must be resolved for at least 48 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications, and with improvement of other symptoms.

Ultimately, decisions regarding classroom closure, distance learning, or other unforeseen school health protocols will be at the discretion of school leadership after consultation with local health officials. If necessary, PCS teachers will provide distance learning as needed through Zoom, Google Meets, and/or physical learning packets. There will be further communication with clear expectations about distance learning for students and preparation by teachers.

The health and wellbeing of our community depends on parents and families committing to respect the recommended health practices, display fairness, and demonstrate loving our neighbors as ourselves. It is our desire that we recognize Christian liberty in matters of personal health and wellbeing, understanding that we may not unnecessarily bind the conscience of fellow believers. We believe that together we can call on the Lord for His clear leading for the year ahead.

Health and Safety on the Parkview Property

All people on campus, including employees, students and parents, are expected to use care and caution with respect to **all** types of illness. They are expected to practice good hygiene and use care with handwashing, along with proper covering of mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.

Hand sanitizer is available throughout the building and in all classrooms.

Signs will be posted in visible locations to promote everyday protective measures and describe how to stop the spread of germs, such as by properly washing hands.

Daily symptoms for teachers, staff, and students will be handled in a confidential format. Persons presenting with a temperature of 100.4 or above or displaying other COVID-19 symptoms after the school day has commenced will be isolated immediately and sent home. Administrators will work with the family to determine whether, in fact, the symptoms are due to COVID-19 infection.

Face Coverings

Face coverings (masks, shields, etc.) are not required at Parkview Christian School. Students, staff, faculty and visitors may wear a face covering if they desire.

Classroom Procedures

With no more than 12 students per classroom, PCS teachers and staff will balance excellence in teaching with good hygiene practice in monitoring the health of those on campu

Students will be held responsible for cleaning workplaces and surfaces regularly. Chairs, desktops, and personal items will be cleaned daily.

Birthdays may be celebrated in classrooms or outside. Homemade items may be sent to school for a birthday celebration.

Students will be asked to wash hands after recess and before lunch for best hygiene practices.

Parent Meetings

For the 2022-2023 school year, all PCS Class and/or Campus Meetings will be held in person, and parent attendance is mandatory.