SAN LUIS VALLEY BOCES

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS AND MITIGATION PRACTICES

While this school year’s COVID-19 guidance from CDPHE has no new requirements, it has been simplified to further align with routine response to other infectious illnesses. The health and safety of our staff and families is our top priority. For the 2022-23 school year, SLV BOCES will continue with in-person working four days a week and one Friday workday per month. We will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation in our county on a regular basis and make changes where needed. SLV BOCES leadership is in constant communication with Alamosa County Public Health (ACPH), and we will make adjustments to our plans, if needed. For the latest information on COVID-19 in Alamosa County, please visit the [Community COVID Levels](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.google.com/url?q%3Dhttps://www.slvphp.com/covid19-data%26amp;sa%3DD%26amp;source%3Deditors%26amp;ust%3D1664296521301464%26amp;usg%3DAOvVaw1OfRfCRh9vE_Dm1UT9I57J&sa=D&source=docs&ust=1664296521314460&usg=AOvVaw2XTsdCbwsbtfwgnsKHHR5R). You can also visit the [ACPH vaccine site](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.google.com/url?q%3Dhttps://www.slvphp.com/vaccination%26amp;sa%3DD%26amp;source%3Deditors%26amp;ust%3D1664296521301768%26amp;usg%3DAOvVaw2woEmn1OZbhq_bBt7c2wG-&sa=D&source=docs&ust=1664296521314632&usg=AOvVaw3fY_PXpXFq9ScUQeqQDdXS) for vaccine information. For up-to-date information on where to get tested, you can visit the ACPH site [here](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.google.com/url?q%3Dhttps://www.slvphp.com/covid-testing%26amp;sa%3DD%26amp;source%3Deditors%26amp;ust%3D1664296521301941%26amp;usg%3DAOvVaw16PqiXUhehQuV0-A3PAzIq&sa=D&source=docs&ust=1664296521314716&usg=AOvVaw2VkeJqVEcKZZQ7tC1ZUwul).

**2022–23 SLV BOCES COVID-19 Protocols/Procedures**

Face Coverings:

* Masks are completely voluntary and not required in SLV BOCES. CDC recommends mask wearing indoors when COVID transmission is high.
* Harassment, shaming, or bullying of staff for wearing or for not wearing masks will not be tolerated.

Isolation:

* SLV BOCES will require any staff who are COVID-positive to follow these isolation guidelines.
* CDPHE recommends that if you have tested positive for COVID-19, you should isolate. If you have symptoms of COVID-19 and are waiting for your test results, or you have symptoms and have not been tested yet, isolation is suggested. Isolation means staying at home and away from other people until you are likely no longer contagious. For the most up-to-date information on isolation recommendations, please visit the [CDPHE website](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.google.com/url?q%3Dhttps://covid19.colorado.gov/isolation-and-quarantine%26amp;sa%3DD%26amp;source%3Deditors%26amp;ust%3D1664296521302774%26amp;usg%3DAOvVaw3qWDjQZZUfDsyDZodiAjY6&sa=D&source=docs&ust=1664296521315153&usg=AOvVaw116muVNVVvJaHKofdkysS9).
* CDPHE guidelines recommend that staff members who test positive for COVID-19 will need to:
* Stay home for 5 days.
* If symptoms are gone or are resolving, you may return to school on day 6.
* If you have a fever on day 5, you must stay home until you have been fever free for 24 hours without using fever-reducing medication and other symptoms are resolved.

General Guidelines for Symptomatic Staff/Students:

* Regardless of vaccination status, staff who show symptoms commonly associated with COVID-19 (Feeling feverish, having chills; Temperature of 100.4F or greater; new or worsening cough; sore throat; shortness of breath or difficulty breathing; loss of taste or smell; runny nose or congestion; muscle or body aches; headache; fatigue; nausea or vomiting; or diarrhea) that are not consistent with symptoms of an existing chronic condition and unchanged from their baseline may be sent home. See [Symptom flow sheet](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.google.com/url?q%3Dhttps://docs.google.com/document/d/1CJrbgzSdcVQUfEuvLngEt83wdzwNTY_QsinE6WjfEuc/edit?usp%253Dsharing%26amp;sa%3DD%26amp;source%3Deditors%26amp;ust%3D1664296521303446%26amp;usg%3DAOvVaw048QaKuMC40TtiKIGszNDi&sa=D&source=docs&ust=1664296521315457&usg=AOvVaw0KVeIKzTekjzLwhK7424L7)[for more information.](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.google.com/url?q%3Dhttps://docs.google.com/document/d/1CJrbgzSdcVQUfEuvLngEt83wdzwNTY_QsinE6WjfEuc/edit?usp%253Dsharing%26amp;sa%3DD%26amp;source%3Deditors%26amp;ust%3D1664296521303637%26amp;usg%3DAOvVaw2K9Gsj-l81SreSNVxv-JOK&sa=D&source=docs&ust=1664296521315530&usg=AOvVaw0y-4c64lmdVIQut0ZbEd9z)
* Staff can return to work once symptoms have resolved.
* COVID-19 testing is recommended. If the staff member receives a positive test result, isolation guidelines should be followed.

COVID-19 Testing:

* If staff need a COVID-19 test, please visit the [ACPH](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.google.com/url?q%3Dhttps://www.slvphp.com/covid-testing%26amp;sa%3DD%26amp;source%3Deditors%26amp;ust%3D1664296521304124%26amp;usg%3DAOvVaw2EuCA-VlqgEZ0ZHaP_smPi&sa=D&source=docs&ust=1664296521315754&usg=AOvVaw1fs6N90uWhiyMDOxRAOY4i) website for more information.
* SLV BOCES may be able to provide at-home tests, if supplies are available.

Disinfection and hand hygiene will continue to be a priority as was prior to the pandemic.  Regular cleaning, disinfecting and hand washing will continue to occur.

Visitors:

* Visitors will continue to be allowed in the SLV BOCES.
* If you are sick, we ask that you not enter any SLV BOCES facilities.