

COVID-19 Plan

PLEASE NOTE: This is a tentative plan and is subject to change. We hope to have any changes completed by Friday, March 20th.

At this time, Mount Calm ISD will reopen and operate under normal school hours starting **Monday, April 13th**. This is subject to change, if recommendations from the Texas Education Agency or the CDC change. **Parents who do not wish to send their children to school for health reasons or concern of COVID-19 will also have the option to have in-home instruction electronically or through paper instructional packets.**

The health and safety of our students, staff and community is a priority Mount Calm ISD. In an abundance of caution, Mount Calm ISD has developed a plan to help limit the spread of COVID-19 should the disease continue and impact Mount Calm ISD or the surrounding area. There is certainly no reason to panic, but here are some things that parents and students can do to reduce the risk of contracting diseases like COVID-19.

1. Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
2. Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
3. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
4. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
5. Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care.
6. Students or staff with fever will be sent home. The student or staff member will be required to go 48 hours without fever or have a Doctor's note to return to school (This would be a change from current policy where students can return to school if they are fever free for 24 hrs.)
7. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
8. It is recommended that medically fragile students and/or staff, particularly those with compromised immune systems or respiratory problems, receive instruction at home or work from home.

If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 within 25 miles of Mount Calm ISD, we will implement the following Phase 1 procedures:

1. Strongly recommend that medically fragile students and/or staff, particularly those with compromised immune systems or respiratory problems stay home until the high threat of infection has passed or subsided. Mount Calm ISD teachers and staff will work to ensure that instruction for those students continues without interruption.
2. Students and staff will be closely monitored for signs of respiratory infection, and students or staff with fever will be sent home. The student or staff member will be required to go 72 hours without fever or have a doctor's note to return to

school. This would be a change from current policy where students can return to school if they are fever free for 24 hours.

3. Mount Calm ISD will increase the use of aerial disinfectants during routine classroom cleaning after hours. Disinfection of highly used surfaces (door knobs, water fountains and desks) will be increased to multiple times during the day. Buses will undergo the same aerial disinfection as classrooms.

If there is a confirmed case of COVID-19 in Mount Calm ISD we will implement the following Phase 2 procedures:

1. Continue all procedures implemented in Phase 1.
2. Home quarantine all students and staff who had close contact with the person who had the confirmed case of COVID-19 for a minimum of two weeks or until medically cleared by a physician. (If practical to do so, otherwise move to Phase 3 immediately)

If there are multiple confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Mount Calm ISD we will implement the following Phase 3 procedures:

1. Mount Calm ISD would be closed for a minimum of 2 weeks or as recommended by local health officials.
2. A thorough cleaning and disinfecting of all facilities would occur prior to a return to school.
3. Mount Calm ISD will arrange to continue to provide meals for students.

This plan is subject to change based on changing information or as directed by State and/or Local Authorities.

Meal Plan

Starting Monday, March 23rd, 2020, Mount Calm ISD will provide meals at no cost to all children 18 years and younger at the school. They DO NOT have to be enrolled in Mount Calm ISD Schools to receive meals. The meals will be delivered directly to your vehicle under the elementary porch. If you will need a meal delivered, please call the school at 254-993-2611. Leave a message if no one answers the phone.

A Mount Calm ISD employee will be at the school for meals from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. For any questions or requests for meals in certain areas, please contact: James Wright at 254-993-2611.