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Department of Social Services

SUBJECT: CDPH UPDATED GUIDANCE FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has updated the "<u>Public Health</u> <u>Guidance for TK–12 Schools and Child Care Settings to Support Safe</u> <u>In-Person Services and Mitigate the Spread of Communicable Diseases</u>" for the 2024-25 School Year. This guidance replaces the previous school year guidance addressed in <u>PIN</u> 23-18-CCP.

This guidance provides general prevention strategy framework to reduce the spread of communicable disease and facilitate partnerships and coordination between local public health and education partners for the 2024-25 school year.

The following information has been updated:

- The language and terminology of the guidance has been simplified to assist in applying strategies and to support schools in communicating health information to their students and communities.
- In workplaces, employers remain subject to the <u>Cal/OSHA COVID-19 Prevention</u> <u>Non-Emergency Regulations</u>. These requirements are expected to expire on February 3, 2025.
- In May of 2024, the CDC published <u>Preventing Spread of Infections in K- 12</u> <u>schools.</u> CDPH has reviewed the CDC guidance and included updated resources.
- CDPH has reviewed the mitigation measures and updated resources. A summary table of the updated links and adjusted language is provided in the attached PDF "Summary of K-12 School and Childcare Updated Changes."

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