

## Updated COVID-19 Policies for ABC Learning Center 2021-2022

Parents/Guardians,

We are so happy to welcome back returning students and new families! While we are thankful many restrictions have loosed up in Texas and we are able to return to “almost” normal school year, ABC will still remain cautious as COVID-19 remains a threat. Our main concern is keeping our children and staff well during the year. Please see below for our illness policy we will be following this year. Please know that as conditions change, our policies may change throughout the year. Parents will always be notified in advance before changes are implemented. Thank you for your understanding. We are looking forward to a wonderful year!

### Illness:

ANY employee or child who is unwell should not come to school.

1. If a child or employee has any of the following new or worsening conditions they will be sent home. Parents must pick their child up within 30 minutes of being called.
  - a. Sore throat
  - b. Fever greater than 100.0 degree Fahrenheit
  - c. Vomiting and/or diarrhea
  - d. Dry cough/ uncontrollable/persistent cough
  - e. Loss of taste or smell
  - f. Muscle aches
  - g. Headache
  - h. Chills
  - i. Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
  - j. Any symptom disabling child from fully participating in the school activities

While we understand that many of these symptoms can also be related to non-COVID-19 related issues, we must proceed with an abundance of

caution during this public health emergency. These symptoms typically appear 2-7 days after being infected so please take them seriously

In order to return to the program, employees/children must:

1. Be free from fever (**without the use of fever reducing medicine**), vomiting, and diarrhea for a **full 48 hours** and/or receive a note from a doctor stating the condition is not contagious.
2. Employees and students who have been in close contact with a positive COVID-19 patient will be required to quarantine for 10 days. They may return after the 10 days and no symptoms.
3. Employees and students who have received positive COVID-19 test results will be required to quarantine according to when CDC recommendations state they are able to be in public. (if this were to occur, the director will discuss a return date with the employee/family)

In the event that we have a possible or confirmed COVID-19 case ABC Learning Center will follow the below protocol:

1. Parents will be notified
2. Local Health department will be notified
3. Licensing department will be notified
4. The above protocol "**In order to return to the program...**" stated above, will be followed.
5. Depending on the circumstances revolving around each potential exposure case, ABC Learning Center may close for 3-5 days to disinfect all areas that were exposed. ABC Learning Center may also close certain classes that were exposed.

When it comes to making the decision of how long ABC Learning Center will need to close to disinfect or which classes and students will need to quarantine, we will consider several factors as well as consulting with our local health department before making a decision and informing parents of the decision made. Please know that all decisions made will be in the best interest of our students and staff.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at any time! We are here to make you and your child feel comfortable while coming to school at ABC Learning Center.

Please read this COVID-19 policies and procedures handbook for ABC Learning Center. When you sign on the admission form to enroll your child, you are also agreeing to comply with all that is contained therein and that you understand that non-compliance with any of ABC Learning Center’s written policies is ground for immediate termination of service. You are also agreeing that you understand COVID-19 is an everchanging matter and this handbook may be updated at any time throughout the school year. In the event, this handbook should need updating, parents will receive a copy to sign.

I \_\_\_\_\_ have read, understand, and accept all the polices and conditions mentioned in this COVID-19 policies and procedures handbook/contract and agree to all.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (parent)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Child’s printed name: \_\_\_\_\_