



SCOTTSDALE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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Dear SCA Community,

In an effort to keep you informed of any standing cases, the following contains new information as well as an update on previous information. This may not directly relate to you or your family but is an effort to keep you informed. ***While much of this content is repetitive, please see bullets below for anything new related to cases.*** These relate only to current cases of SCA students, faculty, or staff. We have been very blessed to keep these to a minimum and appreciate your help to reduce your exposure outside of SCA.

We ask that you continue to follow health protocols and keep all children home with any symptoms, signs of illness, or if they have been exposed to anyone with COVID-19. We ask that everyone respectfully and graciously complies as we all work together to do all we can to keep our campus safe and open.

When a positive case is reported, we work directly with the County (representatives from the county assigned to us). Each decision about quarantines, whether individuals, sections, or other groups, as well as contact tracing, is made in partnership with them. We will continue to do this, and believe it is the most dependable and consistent way to handle each case. We will continue offering the RLO for those at higher risk or in quarantine. For all of those in person, we will continue to implement our health and safety protocols that have been shown to be effective in keeping SCA safe.

Information on current cases at SCA with outstanding isolation/quarantine periods:

- Pre-Elementary: No current Cases
- Elementary School: 6 current student cases in various grades and one faculty member. There was no exposure to SCA students/faculty (other than siblings) due to being contracted over the break. All returning at various dates between 1/11 and 1/19.
- Middle School: 2 current student cases returning 1/11 and 1/19 respectively. There was no exposure to SCA students/faculty due to being contracted over the break.
- High School: 3 current student cases returning 1/11, 1/14, and 1/19. Those quarantined due to exposure have been notified.

**All of those considered exposed have been quarantined and are aware of their approved return date. Students exposed are now able to return sooner (after only 7 days of quarantine) if they submit a negative test to the nurse under the new CDC guidelines.*

These are all of the current standing cases at SCA. All other previous cases have returned from quarantine. When we are notified of anyone “exposed” outside of SCA, they are quarantined based on our protocols and guidance from the County. We apologize for the repetitive nature of this information but wish to keep you informed.

Our safety protocols, health procedures, and mask requirements will continue to be in place (which you can also find in our Return to School Plan document on the website). Thank you for continuing to support the safety of our campus by reducing exposure outside of your home to all extents possible and supporting the protocols we have in place. Even in these challenging times, and perhaps especially in these challenging times, we are so blessed to be a part of this amazing community of Christ-followers, united in spirit.

May God continue to bless you and your families, and may we get through these times united and together in Christ!