

Guidance on Entering Schools During Closure

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Per Governor Abbott's April 17, 2020, order, the following parameters apply when allowing staff into school facilities. These parameters will remain in effect for the duration of the governor's order.

- School classrooms are closed for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.
- Teachers may go into the classroom for video instruction, to perform administrative duties, and/or to clean out their classrooms.
- Where possible, teachers and staff should continue to work remotely, and if they can't do so, they should follow the parameters outlined in this guidance.
- Teacher and staff time at schools should be staggered at each individual campus to enable social distancing to be implemented effectively.
- Teachers and staff must be in the classrooms or offices by themselves and must maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet from one another.
- Teachers and staff should wear masks if available, or face coverings if masks are not available.
- Teachers and staff must screen themselves before coming into school for: new or worsening cough; shortness of breath; sore throat; loss of taste or smell; feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit; or known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19.
- Schools must clean and sanitize bathrooms, doorknobs, and other commonly touched surfaces.

