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EL NIDO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT	OVERVIEW OF DISTRICT PROCEDURES & DETAILS
2020-2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● First day of school: August 11, 2020
Daily Schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8:20 AM - 2:30 PM (updated 03/15/2021) ● In-person on campus
REOPENING OPTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● TK - 6th students in-person on campus ● 7th - 8th students in-person on campus ● 3 feet minimum physical distancing at all grade levels (updated 03/22/2021)
Traditional Setting Requirements (at school learning)	
Face Coverings and Handwashing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Masks and face shields will be provided for all students ● State regulations as of July 15,2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TK-2 masks are recommended. ○ Students will be required to wear a face shield. ○ Students may wear a mask in addition to the face shield. ○ 3-8 masks required at all times on campus. ○ Students will be required to wear the provided face shield as well.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hand washing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Students will be required to wash hands and or use hand sanitizer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Prior to entering/ exiting classrooms/campus ■ Before/After eating meals ■ After PE periods
<p>Cohort Plans</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bell schedule staggers recess and lunch times by grade spans ● Grade spans: TK-2, 3-4, 5-6, and 7-8 ● Grade spans will not be allowed to intermix ● Students will be cohorted by grade level and/or grade spans with no more than 30-40 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ TK-3rd ○ 4th-8th ● Please note that our total enrollment K-8 is 110.
<p>Campus Safety Measures & Healthy Hygiene Practices</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● El Nido School will be closed to the public. ● There will be ONE point of entry during the instructional day for parents/guardians to access the office in case of an emergency or urgent matters. ● School office will have a partitioned space for COVID-19 related needs or concerns. ● School office will have a designated room for routine health needs. ● Office staff will wear face shields at all times (may choose to wear a mask in addition to shields). ● School playground equipment will be accessible on an as-scheduled basis; only one class cohort (grade level and/or grade spans) at a time. ● Appropriate safety training will be provided to all staff within their respective job function roles. ● Hand sanitizer will be available in all classrooms, all school facilities, and in hallways.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Campus will have multiple outdoor hand washing stations strategically placed throughout the school campus.
Classroom Safety Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Average class sizes in El Nido are typically less than 24:1. Based on current projected enrollment and distance learning numbers, class sizes are expected to have less than 24 students in grades TK-8 for the 20-21 school year. ● Students and staff will be provided and must wear face shields at all times in the classroom. ● Staff may wear masks in addition to face shield. ● One teacher will be assigned to a class in order to limit cohort mixing. ● All desks will be spaced 3 to 6 feet apart in classrooms (this will depend on the number of students in each class). ● Instruction of 1 on 1 and small group provided outdoors is permitted as long as protocols are followed.
Entering Campus (start of day)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Front gate near the school office will be a single point entering for all students. ● Active Screening - Students will be screened prior to entering campus with a digital thermometer. ● Students will report directly to their classrooms. ● Staff will enter through the side gate near staff restrooms so as to minimize mixing of cohorts. ● One-way directions/movement will be established in main hallways on campus. ● Parents who drop off their students will be required to enter the loading zone area with their car. ● Parents will be asked not to exit their vehicle. ● Parents will not be permitted on campus at drop off time.
Leaving Campus (dismissal)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Front gate near the school office will be a single point entering for all students. ● Students will be released on a staggered schedule.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● One-way directions/movement will be established in main hallways on campus. ● Parents will not be permitted on campus at dismissal. ● Classrooms will have a dismissal schedule allowing for safe distancing of each class cohort. ● Bus riders will wait to board the bus at the bus loading area with social distancing of 6 feet apart. ● Students who are picked up will be picked up at the front of the school in the loading area. ● Parents will be asked not to exit their vehicle or walk on to campus.
Physical Distancing During School Hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students will be required to remain in their class cohort the entire day. ● All desks will be spaced 6 feet apart in classrooms depending on number of students in class. ● Students will be able to use the restroom as needed in pairs of two. ● All classrooms will have scheduled time for hand washing throughout the day. ● Teachers will remain in their classrooms during instructional periods per the El Nido Master Schedule ● Parents will not be permitted to enter classrooms so as to not mix cohorts. ● Parents will be required to complete 2020-2021 COVID-19 Illness/Health Assessment for Parents prior to entering campus and/or to pick up their child. ● Parents who must be on campus (for example preschool) will be required to remain in designated area at all times.
Meals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meal times will be staggered. ● Students will be able to eat in the cafeteria by grade level and/or grade spans with social distancing 3 to 6 feet apart with plastic dividers between. ● Breakfast will be delivered to each classroom. ● Students will be able to eat outside on picnic tables by grade level and/or grade spans with social distancing 6 feet apart.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Staff will not be allowed to eat with students in the cafeteria. ● Food service staff will wear face shields and masks at all times when preparing and serving meals. ● Food service staff will wear face shields or masks when cleaning and/or completing office tasks. ● Staff will monitor students in the cafeteria and/or outside. ● Parents will not be permitted to eat with students in the cafeteria.
Recess & Breaks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recess times will be staggered by cohorts. ● Students will be allowed to play/hangout in designated areas by grade level and/or grade spans. ● A minimum of 6 feet distance apart. ● Students are required to wash their hands before and after using playground equipment. ● Staff will report to designated areas per duty schedule. ● Staff will monitor students so as to maintain 6 foot distance while playing. ● Staff will monitor students' wash hands prior to and after playing on equipment and or with equipment. ● Parents will not be permitted on campus during recess times.
Transportation (Bus)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A mask is required while on the bus for all students at all times. ● Students will be assigned a seat by cohort. ● Active Screening - Students will be screened prior to boarding the bus with a digital thermometer. ● A mask will be provided if students do not have one prior to boarding the bus. ● Buses will be equipped with hand sanitizer and students will be required to sanitize as they board the bus. ● Parents will not be permitted on the bus.

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Physical Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students will complete PE activities in designated areas. ● Non contact activities will be provided. ● Social distancing 6 feet apart. ● Students are required to wash their hands before and after using playground equipment.
Expanded Learning Program (formerly known as After School Program)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The program is being developed with new regulations. ● Program will be virtual for all students participating.
Cleaning & Disinfection Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All classrooms, offices, and other used facilities at the school site will be cleaned and disinfected daily per CDC guidelines. ● Playground equipment will be cleaned per MCDPH recommendation at minimum once per week. ● All buses will be cleaned and disinfected daily at the end of the day per CDC guidelines ● All computer or “digital” devices will be wiped/disinfected at the end of the day. Note: Devices will be assigned to individual students.
Staff Training & Family Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Staff will be trained on August 6, 2020 on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ COVID-19 ○ Epi-Pen ○ Bloodborne Pathogens ○ Health Illness Prevention ○ Mandated Reporter ○ Proper hygiene practices

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Families Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Communications regarding the importance of wearing a mask, proper hygiene practices, and social distancing. ○ Flyers sent home ○ Flyers and posters at school ○ Teachers will include in lessons
Health Screening for Students and Staff -Wellness Check	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All students will have their temperature checked prior to entering campus or boarding the bus.. ● Parents will complete a Self Attestation form for each child certifying they will not send their child who has a temperature or is ill to school. ● All students will have their temperature taken upon entering campus. ● All staff will be required to complete a Passive Screening prior to entering campus.
Visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All visitors including parents must fill out a wellness checklist in order to enter campus. ● All visitors must wear a mask at all times.
Communication Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ParentSquare, flyers, calls out for as main communication tool ● El Nido Facebook, Twitter used for social media communication ● All communication is translated to Spanish
Identification, Tracing and Testing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If a student is symptomatic of illness while at school, the student will be separated from others right away, preferably isolated in an area through which others do not enter or pass. ● When a student or staff member exhibits symptoms of COVID-19, site staff will contact the immediate supervisor ● The student and staff member would be sent home , told to isolate and test

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All students or staff that have been in contact with the student or staff member exhibiting symptoms must self-monitor for symptoms and test if they develop symptoms ● Public Health will contact El Nido if a student or staff member tests positive to initiate the contact investigation. ● Testing of Staff - If exposure has occurred, staff will receive an exposure letter which requires testing if in close contact and recommendation to test if possible close contact. Testing sites will be listed in letter along with a copy of all county testing facilities. Test results are provided in 2 to 3 days. If close contact is determined, staff will not return to site until results are provided. Planned periodic asymptomatic staff testing is highly encouraged and will take place bi-monthly via a county COVID-19 testing facility. Positive results will be provided to administration. ● Testing of Students- If exposure has occurred, student (s) will receive an exposure letter which requires testing if in close contact and recommendation to test if possible close contact. Testing sites will be listed in letter along with a copy of all county testing facilities. Test results are provided in 2 to 3 days. If close contact is determined, the student (s) will not return to the school site until results are provided. Planned periodic asymptomatic student testing is highly encouraged and will take place bi-monthly via a county COVID-19 testing facility. Positive results will be provided to administration.
Triggers for Switching to Distance Learning	
Quarantine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Anyone who demonstrates COVID-19 symptoms or becomes ill with COVID-19 will be sent home to quarantine for 14 days.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Anyone who has NOT maintained 3 to 6 foot physical distancing nor worn face covering will also be quarantined IF they were in close contact for 15 or more cumulative minutes with the affected person. ● Students who have a sibling who is in a different classroom or school who is ill with COVID-19 and or demonstrates symptoms will be required to be quarantined.
Short Term Closure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Two or more persons affected with COVID-19 in the same classroom will require the entire class to be quarantined for 14 days along with anyone who may have been in close contact for 15 or more minutes and did not maintain physical distance nor wore face covering. ● Two or more classrooms required to quarantine may constitute the entire school to quarantine for 14 days. ● A short term closure may take effect for weeks and or months depending upon circumstances for example: a second wave, several persons becoming ill on campus, or quarantined more than 2 classes.
Long Term Closure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● In the event the Merced County Department of Public Health or the State of California orders schools to shut down or places a stay at home order, a long term closure will take effect.
Distance Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Duration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Students and parents may choose to return to an in-person (traditional) setting at the end of each quarter. ● Attendance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Students will be required to tune in to classroom lessons throughout the school day. ○ Daily attendance and engagement records will be maintained by the teacher.

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Engagement record will document synchronous and asynchronous instruction for each whole or partial day of distance learning. Records will verify daily participation and tracking of assignment completion.○ Students may come on to campus for 1 on 1 and small group instruction with safety precautions and setting is outdoors.● Instructional time:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Must be based on the time value of assignments, as determined by the certificated instructor and approved by the Superintendent. Includes daily live interaction with teachers and peers.● Grade Level Instruction:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Must adhere to grade level standards, curriculum that is substantially equivalent to in-person instruction that is simultaneously occurring in the classroom setting.● Grades:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Students must adhere to in-person expectations and requirements that are simultaneously occurring in the classroom setting.○ Grades will be based on student assignment completion and assessment results on ABCDF grade scale.● Extra/Co Curricular:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ If any extra/co curricular is offered, student participation in any extra and/or co curricular programs will be allowed on campus if meeting grade point average expectation per Parent School handbook and any respective board policy. |
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