Oakland Together School Nurse Initiative

PRIOR TO SCHOOL START UP

1. Communication
   a. Inform the ISD and school districts regarding COVID activity in the community
   b. Provide up to date information pertaining to current guidance and orders that may impact school activities
   c. Ensure parents are provided up to date COVID prevention strategies to utilize in the home and to teach children to utilize at school
   d. Communicate with parents regarding the back to school public health nurse program to support COVID prevention strategies
   e. Communicate with parents regarding their high-risk children and strategies to ensure their protection
   f. Connect parents to resources that need additional supports during COVID-19

2. Training
   a. Provide educator and staff training including up to date information about COVID, back to school and overall prevention strategies

3. Consultation and Recommendations
   a. Review policies developed for school start up to address COVID prevention
   b. Review classroom set up plans and make recommendations to maximize social distancing
   c. Review plans to stagger classes, activities, and other means to enhance social distancing throughout the school day
   d. Identify best practices to share throughout the districts

SCHOOL START UP: FIRST 90 DAYS

The first 90 days will be a critical period as students adapt to new expectations and procedures that will be put in place to prevent the transmission of COVID-19 in the schools. The school nurse will be an important resource and advocate for prevention to school leadership, educators, students and parents during this period.

1. Communication
   a. Establish regular communication with educators to provide support and guidance
   b. Continue to communicate with parents and respond to questions that are relayed to them
   c. Communicate with OCHD Communicable Disease staff as needed if case/s are identified in the schools they are assigned to
   d. Work with OCHD to develop communication materials that address issues or questions that are brought to their attention
2. Training
   a. Train students about COVID-19 and best practices for prevention
   b. Conduct handwashing classes

3. Consultation and Recommendations
   a. Observe practices in classrooms and other areas in schools to identify challenges to achieve social distancing and recommend solutions where appropriate
   b. Make recommendations to OCHD regarding areas needing additional training and education based on observations

WRAP UP
1. The school nurse will provide a summary of activities, lessons learned and recommendations for the remainder of the school year that is specific to the nurse’s area of oversight.

2. OCHD will ensure information is compiled by school district and will distribute through the ISD

3. OCHD will be available to present overall lessons learned and recommendation and answer follow up questions to the Superintendents as requested