



October 30, 2020

Dear Phoenix Christian Family,

High school classes will resume on Monday, November 2.

Phoenix Christian will remain FULLY committed to our daily mask requirements and health screening protocols.

Over the last 24 hours Phoenix Christian has undergone specialized and certified Covid-19 cleaning of our educational spaces.

As you are aware, late last evening one of our high school teachers tested positive for Covid-19. Today we invested significant consultation with the Maricopa County Department of Public Health, investigated directly with the teacher (who tested positive) regarding possible student and faculty exposure, and met as a Covid-19 Taskforce to determine next steps.

Further, three other members of the faculty (who were possibly exposed) **tested negative**. Any student who may have **POSSIBLY** met exposure criterion were identified. Each of those students are to either to test negative or enter into a ten-day quarantine. We are partnering with those families individually.

Phoenix Christian is committed to implementing measures to protect attendees and staff from exposure to COVID-19. Phoenix Christian remains committed to transparent communication to ensure you have all the information you need to make informed decisions about your family's health.

We are partnering directly with the Maricopa County Department of Health (MCDH) who defines specific criterion for "exposure." Specifically, *exposure* criterion is met when an individual (masked or unmasked) enters into contact (less than 6 feet) for a cumulative time of 15 minutes within a 24-hour period, with an individual who is contagious. An individual can be contagious up to 2 days prior to symptoms.

The dates of exposure in this particular case are 10/27 to 10/29.

According to the (MCDH), an individual who is potentially exposed, needs to self-isolate for a minimum of 10 days OR receive a negative Covid-19 test result. If the individual tests negative, they may return to school/work if they wear a mask and maintain physical distancing.

On a personal note to our entire community, please know your trust extended to Phoenix Christian, for the well-being of your child, is our HIGHEST responsibility. As the pandemic is coupled with this political season, our passions and potential for division are heightened. Please honor our Christ centered pursuit to protect our children by wearing your masks and honoring health protocols while on the Phoenix Christian campus. In the scriptures, Peter encourages you and I to, "Respect everyone, and love the family of believers. Fear God, and respect the king." (1 Peter 2:17)

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me personally (602)265-4707 ext. 226. We are here to serve your family as an act of worship of our Creator.

With prayer for the continued protection of our community,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "JEFF BLAKE". The letters are stylized and connected, with a large, prominent "J" and "B".

Phoenix Christian Preparatory School