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SAISD and St. Philip's ECHS transitions levels from Red to Yellow

San Antonio ISD has shared with parents and staff that it plans to move forward in gradually allowing a small number of students onto campuses after Labor Day- as long as the improvements seen in the local COVID-19 health metrics are maintained this week.

St. Philip's ECHS began school on Aug. 17 at Level 1 Red, which provided remote-only instruction. During the Level 2 Yellow phase, (currently set to begin on September 8) St. Philip's ECHS will not bring back every student whose parents declared their preference for in-person instruction. In order to ensure the health and safety of all, as well as being physically located on an Alamo Community College District (ACD) campus, we are required to follow ACD guidelines on the percent of students attending physically on campus.

During Phase 2, St. Philip's ECHS will prioritize and bring in small number of students who require services by focusing on those who have a college clinical or lab course, those who are struggling and need minor instruction or assistance before returning to remote instruction, those in need of technology. St. Philip's ECHS will work with families to bring in small numbers of students who require services in the area of special education, who have struggled academically in the past or are currently struggling academically (in high school or college).

If statistics remain positive, we will continue to increase our numbers until we reach the 25% of our enrollment occupancy limit established by the Alamo Community College District. Our goal is to begin bringing in students who parents completed their intent to return declaration by the August 17 deadline, and declared that they wanted on-campus instruction, with preference given to ninth graders once we reach Phase 3. Decisions on entrance is based on the number of seats available, after the inclusion of



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students who are required to attend college courses physically for labs or clinicals. We are operating on an A/B schedule with students assigned to either schedule A or schedule B. Students attending schedule A will attend St. Philip's on Monday and Wednesdays while those scheduled for schedule B will attend St. Philip's ECHS on Tuesday and Thursdays. Students having college labs or clinicals on both A and B days will attend Monday-Thursday.

During in-person instruction, all students and staff will be required to practice physical distancing and wear face coverings, which the District is providing. Students who refuse to wear face coverings will continue with remote instruction.

For more information on SAISD's safety matrix, visit <https://www.saisd.net/safetymatrix>.

For more information on ACD's return to campus plan visit <https://www.alamo.edu/returntocampus/>