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The Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections is committed to protecting the health and safety of the youth at Adobe Mountain School. We have started many new processes and procedures to safeguard the health of your child during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Over the past several months, we have limited access to Adobe Mountain School to essential employees only. This included making the difficult decision to temporarily suspend visitation and volunteer services. Every individual entering Adobe Mountain School is being screened by a medical professional. Anyone who has had any symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 24 hours or has a temperature of 100.4 and above are not allowed to enter the facility. These individuals can only return when their symptoms are gone for 72 hours.

Youth who are arriving at Adobe Mountain School are being quarantined in groups for 14 days. The CDC recommends doing this to keep youth who are already in the facility safe by not exposing them to youth who are coming from an outside environment. During this time, youth in quarantine have the same access to services and programming that they always do, and they are not isolated from the other youth or staff on their unit.

Throughout Adobe Mountain School, we are using social distancing and disinfection practices to make sure that youth are safely able to continue progressing toward their educational and treatment goals.

All youth and staff at Adobe Mountain School have been provided cloth face coverings which they are required to wear. Masks are recommended to prevent person-to-person spread of the virus.

At this time, no youth at Adobe Mountain School have been diagnosed with COVID-19. Staff are monitoring all youth closely to ensure that we treat and test youth if they begin showing symptoms. Medical professionals are on-site 24 hours 7 days per week and are prepared to serve the youth's healthcare needs.

If your child is tested for COVID-19, ADJC nurses will call you and let you know the results. If your child is positive your child will be treated by ADJC medical professionals and you will continue to be updated with information about your child's condition.

If you have any questions about the steps we are taking to keep your child safe, please contact your child's caseworker.

Sincerely,

Jeff Hood  
Director