San Angelo—Tom Green County Health Department
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James Vretis
Local Health Authority

IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTROL MEASURES ON PROPERTY RELATED TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS

WHEREAS, under Texas Health and Safety Code §81.082, the Public Health Authority has the authority and control over disease control measures within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, under Texas Health and Safety Code §81.082(c) those measures can imposed on a place; and

WHEREAS, under Texas Health and Safety Code §81.082(f) those measures can include prevention; and

WHEREAS, under Texas Health and Safety Code §81.084(k) the health authority may impose control measures on property that he considers necessary and most appropriate to arrest, control, and eradicate the threat to the public health; and

WHEREAS, due to the increasing number of COVID-19 cases in Tom Green County, Texas and the effect the increase of cases in having on hospital capacity, it is imperative that all steps are taken to prevent the spread of COVID-19 within our schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dr. James Vretis, Tom Green County Public Health Authority, pursuant to the authority cited above, hereby issue the following property control order related to operation of any school facility where instruction is delivered located within Tom Green County.

- 1. Masks shall be required for all education facilities located within Tom Green County where instruction is delivered and a student or staff person has tested positive for COVID-19.
- This order shall become effective on August 26, 2021 and shall continue through the end of the school day on October 15, 2021 or until such time that the Texas Education Agency or a court of competent jurisdiction reinstitutes enforcement against school districts with mask mandates.

This Order is issued under my authority as Public Health Authority for Tom Green County, Texas on this the 24th day of August, 2021.

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James G. Vretis, D.O., Public Health Authority