



# scrivas Case Study

## KEEPING CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DURING THE PANDEMIC

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the team at Scrivas realized that keeping schools open and safe was not going to be solved with just a contact tracing app or software alone. To create a proper program designed to minimize risk of exposure, Scrivas launched a customized contact tracing exposure management service to help schools reopen and operate safely.

### CHALLENGE:

Christopher Columbus High School is a top private all-boys Roman Catholic and college-preparatory high school in Florida that is focused on providing excellent education and helping young men become the very best they can be in all facets of their lives. As a large secondary school with more than 1,700 students and 150 employees, the high school anticipated that the volume of work needed to properly conduct contact tracing during the COVID-19 pandemic was going to be more work than the school administration could handle. Columbus High School needed a highly effective contact tracing program that summarized information regarding potential on-campus positive cases that could be accessed daily, making the school and administration's daily routine far more efficient. Based on this, Columbus High School retained the services of Scrivas to help customize a COVID-19 contact tracing platform that would fit the needs of the school.

### EXECUTION:

Scrivas focused on developing a customized COVID-19 contact tracing platform that allows the school to access data daily, track infected, symptomatic, and exposed students and/or staff, and help forecast potential student absences and staffing needs.

- **Created a customized and user-friendly contact tracing and screening process** to collect daily information about the school's current COVID-19 status and cases.
- **Assigned trained, experienced, and friendly contact tracers** to speak directly to parents, guiding them through the quarantine status and the expected dates for a safe return to school.
- **Provided daily reports** to keep track of any exposed students and staff.

### RESULTS:

- Scrivas' contact tracing program helped Columbus **identify and immediately quarantine students and staff who tested positive for COVID and those who came in close contact.**
- **Identified outbreaks in athletic activities** that allowed the school to quarantine a portion of the team, while keeping the numbers down.
- **Achieved a low positive percentage of COVID-19 cases** within the school community.
- **The contact tracing program resulted in a high confidence rate among parents**, knowing that their child is safe in school and that an outbreak will be identified and contained in a timely manner.



*"The major challenge we faced was the volume of emails and phone calls received daily related to COVID-19 exposure. Having Scrivas as our main contact for exposure reporting has allowed our school staff to respond adequately to those messages while continuing with their day-to-day work activities."*

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