

OCS Update 1-3-2022

The CDC and Ohio Department of Health have released new guidance as it relates to COVID exposure (documents are attached). After reviewing the guidelines, the following protocols will be in place for our school district beginning today, 1/3/22. A summary of the updated changes are below:

- 1) Preschool students who are exposed or test positive for COVID
 - a) Student must quarantine at home for 10 days

- 2) K-12 students/staff who are exposed at school
 - a) Student/staff can remain at school if student/staff wears a mask 10 days
 - b) Student/staff must self-monitor for any symptoms
 - c) If symptoms occur, a proctored COVID test is recommended (Negative test result or Doctor excuse is needed to return)

- 3) K-12 students/staff are exposed outside of school
 - a) Students/Staff who are **not vaccinated or were vaccinated more than 6 months ago**
 - i) Must quarantine at home for 5 days (since exposure); can return to school on day 6 if wearing a mask in school through day 10
 - ii) A proctored COVID test is recommended on day 5
 - b) Students/Staff who **have been vaccinated within 6 months**
 - i) Students/Staff can remain at school if wearing a mask for 10 days since exposure
 - ii) A proctored COVID test is recommended on day 5
 - c) Students/Staff who **have been diagnosed with COVID within 90 days**

- i) Must have proof of positive test results – this must be documentation from a medical provider; Student/staff can remain at school if masked for 10 days since exposure
 - ii) If no documented proof from a medical provider, student/staff must quarantine at home for 5 days and may return to school on day 6 and mask for 5 days

- 4) Students/Staff who test positive for COVID
 - a) Students/Staff must quarantine at home for 5 days (from symptom onset); may return to school on day 6 and mask through day 10 if there is no fever for 24 hours and symptom improvement

- 5) The school has limited COVID tests available. These will only be distributed to our current students and staff who meet one of the criteria above.

As guidelines change, we will continue to keep you informed. A reminder that frequent hand-washing, sanitizing of surfaces, and using cough/sneeze etiquette help to mitigate the spread of germs. Masks are strongly encouraged for staff and students.