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UPDATED COVID-19 INFORMATION

EFFECTIVE MARCH 2, 2022-TRANSITION TO MASKS OPTIONAL IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND ON SCHOOL BUSES

At the February 28, 2022 School Board Meeting, the Board changed the end date to the current mask resolution. After discussing the current COVID-19 data trends and the new CDC guidelines for masking, the Board unanimously voted to transition to **masks OPTIONAL effective, tomorrow, Wednesday, March 2nd. All students, staff, and visitors to the buildings will have the option to wear a mask while on school grounds and/or on school buses.** The School District of Greenfield will transition from a mask-required environment to a MASK-FRIENDLY environment.

CHARACTERISTICS OF A MASK-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT:

- Masks will be available in school office for those who may wish to mask during the school day
- An individual's desire to mask may change throughout the day based on the class content/learning experiences
- Demonstrating acceptance of individuals who are choosing to wearing masks and those who are choosing to not wear masks
- Understand there are a variety of reasons why individuals may choose to wear or not wear a mask and an individual does not need to explain those reasons
- Seeking out a trusted adult when a student needs help navigating a situation involving questions or comments about masks.

ISOLATION ORDERS DUE TO BEING COVID POSITIVE

Based on the CDC guidance from December 27, 2021, isolation orders require an individual who is COVID positive to **remain at home until at least 5- days have passed since their symptoms started. After staying out of school for 5 calendar days, if the individual's symptoms are resolving themselves without the use of over-the-counter medications, such as: Tylenol or Advil, they may return to school and MUST wear a properly fitting mask at school for an additional 5 calendar days.** Keeping students and staff who are ill at home can help to stop the spread of the virus. When an isolation order is necessary, it will indicate the date when the individual can return to school. The individual may not return to school prior to this date.

QUARANTINE ORDERS FOR HOUSEHOLD CONTACTS

A quarantine order is issued by the Greenfield Health Department for students who have a positive case in their household. The duration of a quarantine order will be **5-days from the time of the last exposure to the positive case, and then the individual may return to school wearing a properly fitting mask for an additional 5-days.**

STUDENTS WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE PRIMARY TWO-DOSE SERIES

-OR-

THE PRIMARY SERIES AND A BOOSTER

DO NOT NEED TO QUARANTINE IF THEY ARE SYMPTOM FREE.

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If a student is isolated due to illness or quarantined as the result of being a positive case, they will continue to be able to access their education. Each school building will communicate with families about continuing their child's education if out due to illness or being a close contact.

CLOSE CONTACTS AT SCHOOL

Per the NEW CDC guidelines, the District will no longer be quarantining students who have been deemed a close contact to a positive case at school. The process of universal quarantining in the K4-12 grade setting is no longer recommended by the CDC. The goal is to have students experience as little disruption to their learning by maximizing the amount of time they are learning in-person.

STEPS TO TAKE WHEN HAVING COVID-LIKE SYMPTOMS

Individuals with COVID-LIKE SYMPTOMS - Either cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new loss of taste or smell **OR** at least two of the following; congestion or a runny nose, fever/chills, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, headache, unusual fatigue, body aches, or sore throat should remain at home until they test negative for COVID (**lab administered PCR or lab administered Rapid Antigen test**) and be symptom free, or obtain an alternative diagnosis from a physician. If an individual does not test or receive an alternative diagnosis from a physician, they will have to isolate at home for **5 days**. **The District does have FREE testing services available for students and staff who are symptomatic. Contact your school secretary for information regarding COVID testing.**

KEEPING INDIVIDUALS WITH SYMPTOMS HOME

Students should **stay home** if any of the following apply:

- Experiencing any one of the following; cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new loss of taste or smell **OR** two or more of the following; congestion or a runny nose, fever/chills, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, headache, fatigue, body aches, sore throat.
- **Awaiting results of a COVID test**
- Someone in the household is COVID positive and the student has not yet been vaccinated

A FAMILY-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

As a Learning Community we are committed to following and updating our mitigation strategies as the situation evolves, communicating regularly with parents and updating the dashboard, as well as continuing to work side-by-side with the Greenfield Health Department. As families, you can contribute to ensuring the safety of all students by:

- Ensuring your Infinite Campus contact information is up to date
- Sending positive messages to your child about the importance of the necessary mitigation strategies in school
- Keeping your child home if they are sick
- Complying with all isolation and quarantine orders from the Greenfield Health Department
- Picking up your child in a timely manner if they are sick at school
- Communicating your concerns or illnesses in your household to your child's school in a timely manner.