

2021-2022

COVID-19 Key Points

- Vaccination is the leading public health prevention strategy to end the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Handwashing and respiratory etiquette, staying home when sick and getting tested, contact tracing in combination with quarantine and isolation, and cleaning and disinfection are also important layers of prevention to keep schools safe.
- Students, teachers and staff should stay home when they have signs of an infectious illness and be referred to their healthcare provider for testing and care.
- The CDC, PaDOH and PDE guidance emphasizes implementing layered prevention strategies (e.g., using multiple prevention strategies together consistently) to protect students, teachers, staff, visitors and other members of their households and support in-person learning.

LMS protocol

- Masking is optional for ALL individuals (employees, students and visitors), but is recommended for individuals who are not fully vaccinated.
- **Students WILL be required to wear a mask on public school buses. Students using LM transportation will not be required to wear a mask.**
- Maintain at least 3 feet of physical distance between students in classrooms, where possible.
- Follow current quarantine and/or isolation guidelines
- Conduct contact tracing for any positive cases in the school community
- Clean and disinfect areas and/or classrooms where a positive COVID-19 case was identified

Prevention Strategies

- Physical distancing of students where possible
- Handwashing and respiratory etiquette
- Staying home when sick and/or getting tested
- Contact tracing, in combination with isolation and quarantine
- Cleaning and disinfecting

Cleaning and Disinfecting

- Cleaning with products containing soap or detergent reduces germs on surfaces by removing contaminants and decreases risk of infection from surfaces.
- When no people with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 are known to have been in a space, daily cleaning is enough to sufficiently remove virus that may be on surfaces and help maintain a healthy facility.
- Disinfecting kills any remaining germs on surfaces, which further reduces any risk of spreading infection.
- **If there has been someone who tested positive for COVID-19 in one of our facilities within the last 24 hours, LMS will clean AND disinfect the space.**

If You Test Positive for COVID – ISOLATE

Who: EVERYONE – regardless of vaccination status

How:

- Stay home for 5 days
- If you have symptoms or your symptoms are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your home.
- Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves.

If you Were Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 - QUARANTINE

If you:

Have been boosted

OR

Have completed the primary series of Pfizer and Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months

OR

Have completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months

You should:

- Wear a mask around others for 10 days
- Test on day 5, is possible
- If you develop symptoms, get a test and stay home

If you:

Completed the primary series of Pfizer and Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine over 2 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Are unvaccinated

You should:

- Stay home for 5 days. After that continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you cannot isolate from others, you should wear a mask for 10 days.
- Test on day 5, is possible
- If you develop symptoms, get a test and stay home

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