

# LM COVID-19 Plan 2021-2022

## COVID-19 Key Points

- Students benefit from in-person learning, and continuing to safely returning to in-person instruction is a priority.
- Vaccination is the leading public health prevention strategy to end the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Due to the circulating and highly contagious variants, CDC, PaDOH and PDE recommend universal indoor masking by all students (ages 2 and older), staff, teachers and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status.
- In addition to universal indoor masking, CDC, PaDOH and PDE recommend schools maintain at least 3 feet of physical distance between students within classrooms to reduce transmission risk. When it is not possible to maintain a physical distance of at least 3 feet, it is especially important to layer multiple other prevention strategies, such as handwashing and respiratory etiquette.
- 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.
- Many schools serve young children who are not eligible for vaccination at this time. Therefore, 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 required indoors for ALL individuals (employees, students and visitors) during high levels of community transmission in Lancaster County as reported by the Pennsylvania Department of Health.**
- The masking requirement will become optional for all students when Lancaster County has sustained substantial, moderate, or low levels of community transmission for at least two consecutive weeks as reported by the Pennsylvania Department of Health.
- **Regardless of the community transmission levels in Lancaster County – all employees will be required to wear a mask indoors.**
- Masking is strongly recommended outdoors for those employees who are not fully vaccinated.
- Students WILL be required to wear a mask on busses and while receiving instruction and/or counseling services from the IU regardless of the level of community transmission.
- 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
- Visitors will be allowed in office areas only

## Prevention Strategies

- Consistent and correct mask use for employees, students and visitors when indoors
- 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
- Visitors in office areas only

## **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, if 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, if possible
- If you develop symptoms, get a test and stay home

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## EXPOSED to CONFIRMED OR PROBABLE CASE

**HAD COVID IN  
LAST 90 DAYS**  
Confirmed by Viral Test

**FULLY VACCINATED**  
IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED ALL RECOMMENDED  
DOSES INCLUDING BOOSTER  
OR  
AGE 5-17 COMPLETED PRIMARY SERIES

**VACCINATED - NOT YET BOOSTED**  
Pfizer Booster Due at 5 months from 2<sup>nd</sup> dose  
Moderna Booster Due at 6 months from 2<sup>nd</sup> dose  
J&J Booster Due at 2 months from 1st dose

**UNVACCINATED**  
No Vaccine  
OR  
Only 1 shot of Pfizer/Moderna

**TOO SOON FOR  
BOOSTER**

**BOOSTER IS  
OVERDUE**

**MASK but NO QUARANTINE**  
Wear a Mask around others for 10 days  
Test on Day 5 after Exposure  
  
If you get symptoms, Get Tested and  
Stay Home

**QUARANTINE**  
STAY AT HOME for 5 DAYS  
Test on Day 5 after Exposure.  
Wear a mask for days 5-10.  
*If unable to wear a mask, stay home  
for 10 days*  
If you get symptoms, Get Tested and  
Stay Home.

**SUSPECTED COVID?**  
Symptoms + Exposure  
If Viral Test is Not Done  
Or  
Suspected FALSE  
Negative?

**ISOLATION ADVISED**

### **IF YOU TEST POSITIVE-- ISOLATE**

Regardless of vaccination status, **STAY AT HOME FOR 5 DAYS**  
Get an Antigen Test after day 5 If You Are Able.  
If symptoms are resolving after 5 days you can leave your house.  
Day 5-10 Continue to wear a MASK around others.  
If you have a Fever, Stay at Home until Fever resolves