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## School COVID Updates and Calendar Updates

Good evening DCS family,

We have several important pieces of information for you this evening, so please listen to the message in its entirety.

Some schools have already heard from Superintendent Wallace regarding masking in certain schools. As we have mentioned in previous communications regarding COVID protocols, Davie County Schools continues to consult with DCDHHS, and community experts, monitoring our number of positive COVID cases and quarantines at each school. When schools reach the established threshold of 5% or more students quarantined, that school will return to “Masks Required” for all staff and students for two weeks before reassessing. We currently have five schools that require masks. If this happens for your school, please expect to hear from your school principal. You may also track this on our [COVID Dashboard here](#), which now shows cases and quarantines by school.

As a reminder, quarantines are determined by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and NOT by individual school districts. We are required to follow mandated quarantine protocols, and DHHS provides the criteria for who must quarantine and for how long. Students who have been fully vaccinated do not have to quarantine. Also, when students are exposed but all individuals involved are consistently masked, students are not required to quarantine.

Contact tracing is being done in partnership with DHHS, and DHHS will now help with those communications. If DHHS is requiring quarantine for a student, parents may receive a call from the school nurse OR directly from DHHS. DHHS will call from an 844 number, so please be aware when that shows up on your phone and please answer the call.

Lastly, our [2021-22 School Calendar](#) has been amended to add two teacher work days. There will now be no school for students on January 21, 2022 and June 9, 2022. The calendar has been updated on [godavie.org](http://godavie.org) and can be viewed [here](#).

Thank you and have a great evening!

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