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COVID Quarantine Remote Learning Protocols

Dear Members of the Blind Brook Community,

As we continue to look to support our students during COVID, we realize that changes sometimes need to be made to the processes that we currently have in place. After reviewing the current impact of COVID in our schools, our existing protocols and hearing from community members, we are adjusting the services that we will be providing to students who are asymptomatic and under quarantine. An outline of the changes are listed below. These changes will be put into effect on Friday, January 7th and will be in place until there is a change in our situation. Please note that contacting the COVID Coordinator through one of the three designated COVID email addresses is a key part of the process.

COVID Quarantine Remote Learning
The COVID Quarantine Remote Learning is limited to asymptomatic students who:
  • have a confirmed case of COVID-19.
  • are in a WCDOH quarantine.
  • are excluded from school due to being unvaccinated and exposed to a confirmed case of COVID-19.

COVID Quarantine Remote Learning is not an option for any other reason, including non-COVID-19 illnesses or family preferences for a remote option. Students who are ill need time to recover with no expectation of completing work during their illness.

In grades K-5, COVID Quarantine Remote Learning will occur as a 60 to 90-minute learning session, based on grade level, with a dedicated remote Blind Brook teacher. Work will continue to be provided by the student’s classroom teacher. A schedule will be sent to the student’s family regarding their daily schedule and time to work with the teacher. COVID Quarantine Remote Learning is available within 24-hours of the relevant building administrator being notified of a student requiring the option by the COVID Coordinator. For students quarantined and in need of a Chromebook please contact Katie Gambino, kgambino@blindbrook.org, to arrange pick up for a device. Email the COVID coordinator at covidRSS@blindbrook.org regarding a suspected COVID exposure.

In grades 6-12, COVID Quarantine Remote Learning will consist of passive live streaming in which students are observing the classroom. COVID Quarantine Remote Learning will be available within 24-hours of the relevant building administrator being notified of a student requiring the option by the COVID Coordinator. Email the COVID coordinator
at covidMS@blindbrook.org for a BBMS student and covidHS@blindbrook.org for a BBHS student regarding a suspected COVID exposure.

I thank everyone for their input. We will continue to review the impact of COVID on our students and will reevaluate our processes to match identified needs.

Sincerely,

Colin Byrne
Interim Superintendent of Schools