

# Superintendent's Report

December 15, 2021



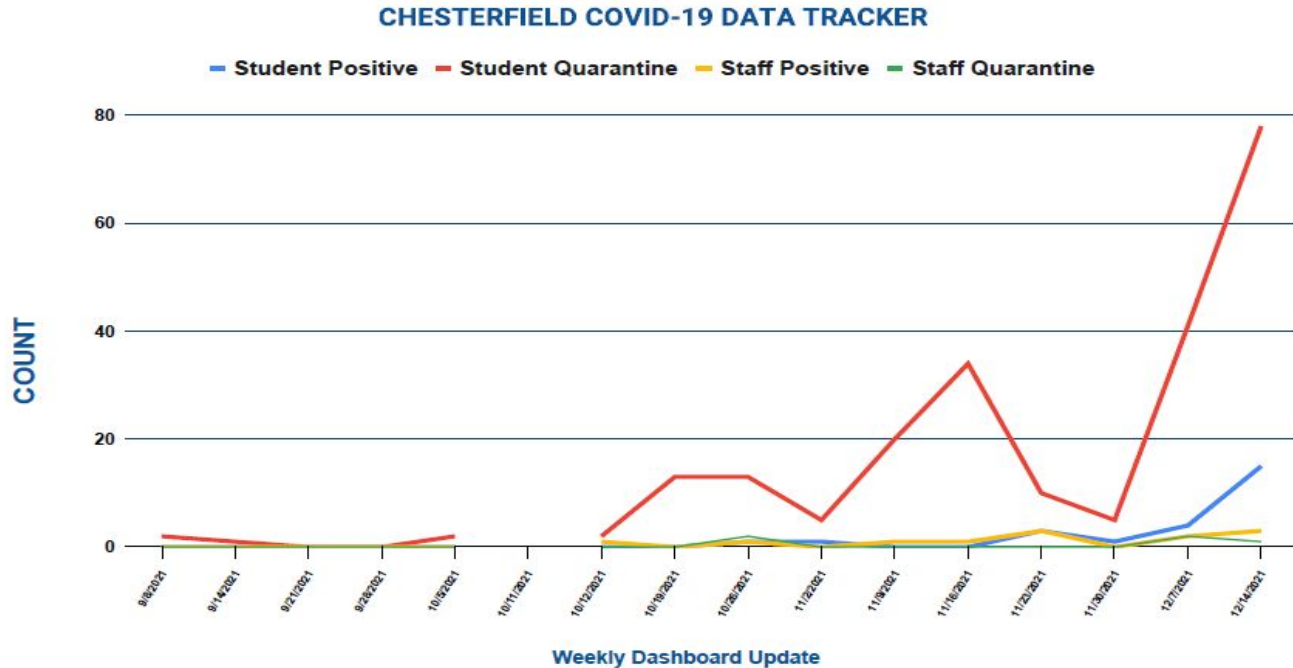
# Recent COVID-19 Numbers

Since Monday, December 6th, the district has confirmed 27 positive cases of COVID-19 which includes students and staff.

We've also required 105 students and staff to quarantine during that same time period due to close contact.

This is a significant spike in both positive cases and quarantine based on our history during the pandemic.

# COVID-19 Positive Cases and Quarantine



# Vaccinated Individuals

Individuals (children and adults) who are fully vaccinated are not required to quarantine as a close contact or for travel.

An individual is considered fully vaccinated two (2) weeks after receiving the second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna Vaccine or two weeks after receiving the single dose of the Johnson and Johnson Janssen Vaccine.

An individual must be fully vaccinated at the time of exposure to be exempt from close contact quarantine.

An individual must be fully vaccinated before travel to be exempt from travel quarantine.

# Close Contact/Quarantine Factors

Vaccination Status

Proximity to Confirmed or Suspected COVID-19 Positive

Duration of Contact (15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period)

Use of Mask

History of COVID-19

# Quarantine

When our region is in the High Risk Level, the quarantine time frame moves from 10 days to 14 days.

Also, there is no option to shorten the quarantine time frame with a negative test while at the High Risk Level.

When our region is in the Moderate Risk Level, the quarantine time frame is 10 days with the option to return on Day 8 with a negative test taken between days 5-7.

# COVID-19 Testing

Starting in January, the district will no longer accept self-tests (home tests) as acceptable documentation when determining whether an individual is positive or negative for COVID-19.

As per the NJDOH, self-tests are acceptable in lower risk settings such as routine screening programs and post-travel quarantine. Self-tests are not considered acceptable to rule out COVID-19 infection or shorten post-exposure quarantine.

# Mitigation

We continue to implement all health and safety mitigation strategies.

We will evaluate all activities to determine if reward outweighs the risk.

We will continue to consult with the BCDOH regularly for guidance.