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Updated COVID Guidelines for Resuming Classes on Thursday, January 6, 2022

Masks:

- Masks are required on the school buses for all students and drivers/staff members. Seating Charts will be used for contact tracing.
- Masks are highly recommended but are optional in all school buildings for adults and students.
- Visitors should be limited but are required to wear masks in the schools.

Social Distancing: Students and all staff members should socially distance to the greatest extent possible. CDC recommends social distancing of 3 feet with masks on and 6 feet without masks.

Updated Quarantine Guidelines: If an unvaccinated student or staff member is exposed to COVID, he or she must quarantine for five days and may return if asymptomatic with a well-fitted face mask for the next five days. If the student or staff member has been fully vaccinated within the last six months, he or she does not need to quarantine but must wear a well-fitting mask for ten days.

Updated Isolation Guidelines: If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID, regardless of vaccination status, he or she must isolate for five days. (Day 0 is the day of the positive test) If no symptoms or fever after five days, you may return to work or school with a well-fitting face mask for the next five days. If symptoms are still present, continue to isolate until fever free for 24 hours.

Masking Disclaimer: For students or adults who do not want to wear a mask, they will follow the guidelines previously used. Exposed students or adults will quarantine for 10 days OR may test after day five and return on day 8 with a negative result. COVID positive students or adults who do not want to return early wearing a mask may isolate the full 10 days returning with no symptoms.