

**DODGELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT  
UPDATED COVID-19 GUIDELINES  
AUGUST 2022 - 2023**

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**Updated Isolation and Quarantine Guidance**

If you test positive for COVID (regardless of your vaccination status):

- A five-day isolation period is required. If symptom-free at the end of the five days of isolation, you may return to school, but must wear a face mask for five additional days. Failure to wear a face mask will require a full 10-day isolation period.
- Both household and non-household close contacts should monitor for symptoms per CDC guidance

**School Practices**

- **Face masks are optional in all environments.** If a student or staff member feels more comfortable wearing a face mask, we respect that decision. If a student or staff member is more comfortable not wearing a face mask, we also respect that decision. Please be advised that the District may require face masks if there is an increase in COVID-positive cases within our building.
- **Vaccinations are encouraged, but not required.** We will not require COVID vaccinations nor will the District request information about the COVID vaccination status of any staff member or student.
- **Sanitizing of frequently touched surfaces will continue to be done on a regular basis.** Disinfecting spray and cleaning cloths will be widely available for use by students and staff.
- **Similarly, frequent handwashing will continue to be encouraged.** We believe clean hands contributed to a lower rate of common illnesses.
- **Keep your child home if they are not feeling well.** Do not send your child to school if they have two or more of the following symptoms:
  - New cough
  - Shortness of breath
  - Loss of taste or smell
  - Fever of 100 degrees or higher
  - Chills
  - Congestion or runny nose not attributed to allergies
  - Body or muscle aches
  - Sore throat
  - Fatigue
  - Diarrhea
  - Headache
- If your child is experiencing the above symptoms during school hours, you will be contacted to pick up your child. If necessary, the listed emergency contact person will be contacted. Please review your contact information in PowerSchool to make certain it is updated.

***Thank you for your cooperation and support. Working together, we can enjoy a great school year!***

## Return to School Procedure

1. If your child was sent home ill, your child may not return to school until they are symptom-free, **AND** without the use of medication to reduce fever for 24 hours. If your child returns to school before the 24 hours has expired, we will call to ask that you pick up your child.
2. If your child is diagnosed with anything contagious, such as strep throat, the flu, or COVID-19, please let the administrative assistants know or feel free to call Nurse Lynnae Shaw at 920-386-8294.
3. If your child has Covid-19 symptoms, we recommend that you get them tested. If no test then follow #1 above. Have your child stay home until you get the results. If negative follow #1. If positive for Covid please call the school nurse so she can inform you when your child can return to school based on our policy.

If you have any questions, please call nurse Lynnae Shaw at 920-386-8294.