

Parents:

At the school board meeting tonight, it was decided to amend our current close contact procedures.

The new procedure for close contacts is as follows:

*Parents of students identified as a close contact to a confirmed positive case of COVID at school will be notified of the possible exposure. **Students will not be required to quarantine unless they become symptomatic.** The parents will decide if their child will stay home or continue to come to school. Students will be checked for symptoms at school twice a day by school staff and/or the nurse for five school days.*

*If a student resides in the same household as a positive case, **students will be required to quarantine** if unvaccinated and may return to school if asymptomatic after 72 hours. The parents will decide if their child will stay home or continue to come to school after that point. Students will be checked for symptoms at school twice a day by school staff and/or the nurse for five school days.*

*Students and staff subjected to quarantine will be allowed in school **however** mask use is required during their quarantine period per the procedure. If masks are not worn, individuals must remain in quarantine for the 72 hour period.*

If the administration deems a classroom or the school to be shut down due to case numbers, that option still exists.

Because of this if you have a child who has been deemed a close contact and they are not demonstrating symptoms, they can return to school tomorrow, Tuesday, October 5th. As always, please monitor your children for symptoms and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Nurse Lori Brown or your health care provider.