

2021-2022 HHCS COVID-19 Response Plan (CRP)

In an attempt to keep schools open, Indiana has made some changes to its COVID-19 protocol. As a result, we have modified our plan as well. Please review this document for our plan as of 12-28-2021. Please note that due to the nature of this pandemic, we may need to make additional changes.

Screening

- Students and staff should self-screen each morning before coming to school.
 - **COVID-19 Symptoms Checklist**
The following are the COVID-19 symptoms parents and staff should check each morning before attending school or work. Those who have these symptoms should stay home.
 - ✓ Fever/Chills
 - ✓ Cough
 - ✓ Shortness of Breath
 - ✓ Fatigue
 - ✓ Muscle/Body Aches
 - ✓ Headache
 - ✓ Loss of Taste/Smell
 - ✓ Sore Throat
 - ✓ Sinus Congestion
 - There are many reasons a child may feel ill that are NOT related to COVID-19.
 - If your child is not feeling well and you have no reason to believe his or her symptoms are related to COVID-19, simply report your child sick and keep him or her home until symptoms are improving and your child is fever free for 24 hours.
- If your child or anyone in your home is being tested for COVID-19, we are requiring that the child remain home until the result of the test is known.
- For those that have tested positive, the CDC is shortening the recommended time for isolation from 10 days for people with COVID-19 to 5 days, if asymptomatic. After the 5-day isolation period, masks are required to be worn for 5 days.

Contact Tracing and Quarantine

- Currently, we will be required by the Indiana Department of Health to contact trace again this school year when we become aware of a positive case of COVID-19 at school.
- Unvaccinated students and staff who are exposed to a positive case of COVID-19 will have to quarantine for 5 days and after the 5-day quarantine period, masks are required to be worn for 5 days.
- Students and staff who have received their booster shot do not need to quarantine following an exposure. Those who have been ill with COVID-19 within the past three months and recovered and are without symptoms do NOT have to quarantine as a result of being exposed to a positive case of COVID-19.

Vaccination

- The COVID vaccination is NOT required for students or staff.

Masks

- At school, masks will be optional for all students and staff.
- Visitors/volunteers are permitted during the school day. Unvaccinated persons are encouraged to wear face masks inside the school buildings.