

Prentiss County School District

COVID-19 Update

On January 9, 2022, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention updated their guidance for COVID-19 prevention in the school setting. As a result, the Prentiss County School District has updated its policies to reflect the guidance from the CDC. As of January 10, 2022, the following COVID-19 updates have been made:

Staff Members & Students Testing Positive for COVID-19

- Staff members and students that test positive for COVID-19 or displays COVID-19 symptoms should stay at home for 5 days and isolate from others in their home.
- Isolation may end after 5 full days if you are fever free for 24 hours (without the use of fever reducing medication) and your symptoms are improving.
- If you do not have symptoms, isolation ends after 5 full days from the positive test.
- After returning to school, you must wear a well-fitted mask for 5 days.
- Failure to wear a mask for 5 days after returning from the 5-day quarantine will result in that individual being sent home for the remainder of the quarantine period.

Calculating Isolation: Day 0 is your first day of symptoms or a positive test. *Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed or your test specimen was collected.*

Exposure to COVID-19

- If someone in your home has tested positive for COVID-19, those exposed in the home should quarantine for at least 5 full days. Those exposed should watch for symptoms until 10 days after they last had contact with someone positive for COVID-19.
- Individuals exposed to a positive COVID-19 case in their home may return to school after quarantining for 5 full days if no symptoms are present and must wear a well-fitted mask for 5 days additional days.
- Failure to wear a mask for 5 days after returning from the 5-day quarantine will result in that individual being sent home for the remainder of the quarantine period.
- A quarantine is not required for individuals that are exposed to a positive COVID-19 case in their home if the exposed individual is symptom free and fully vaccinated or is symptom free and has had confirmed COVID-19 within the past 90 days.

Calculating Quarantine: The date of your exposure is considered day 0. *Day 1 is the first full day after your last contact with a person who has had COVID-19.*