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Updated COVID Guidelines FAQ

When will the WPS be putting the new RIDOH/RIDE guidelines in place?

- Tuesday January 18, 2022

What if a child is deemed a close contact **at school** the week of 1/10 - 1/14 and has a quarantine that lasts beyond January 18th?

- The student (as long as they are symptom free) can return to school when the new guidelines are implemented on 1/18/ 2022

What if your child is COVID Positive?

- Please keep your child home
- Please complete the following [form which can be found on the WPS COVID Page](#)

What if I have COVID related questions?

- You may email our COVID coordinator at COVIDCoordinator@warwickschools.org
- You may call our COVID hotline (401) 734-3030 from 7:10am-2:00pm

What if someone with a COVID-19 symptom refuses to get tested or can't get a test result in a timely manner?

- The individual should isolate for at least 5 days, and wear a well-fitting mask for 5 more days.

What is the monitor to stay program?

- A modified quarantine strategy for students and staff who are unvaccinated/not up-to-date with vaccination and have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 outside their household. Students and staff may attend school and participate in school-related extracurricular activities in person during their 5-day quarantine period if they
 - Don't have symptoms;
 - Screen for all symptoms of COVID-19 daily and attest that they're asymptomatic
 - Quarantine at home when not at school and school-related activities.

What if my child is unvaccinated and a close contact at home?

- Please see the chart below for information
- Please report this to the COVID Hotline at COVIDCoordinator@warwickschools.org

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Close Contact and Quarantine (Pre-K - 12 Students)(eff. 1/18/22) These protocols are for individuals who are compliant with wearing a tight fitting mask at all times. Non-compliance with mask wearing will result in: The student will not qualify for the quarantine exemptions and will be required to be isolated or quarantined at home for 5 days.	
<u>I have symptoms</u>	<u>I am COVID Positive</u>
Stay home Test (Rapid & PCR recommended) Quarantine until test results May return with a negative PCR. Recommend contacting your physician if symptoms have not resolved.	Stay home. Isolate for 5 days *Complete the COVID Reporting Form Return to school on day 6 if your symptoms have resolved or have improved (not excreting respiratory secretions) and have been fever-free for 24 hours without medication. Continue to wear a well fitting mask for 5 more days.
<u>I am a School Close Contact</u>	
<u>Asymptomatic</u>	<u>Symptomatic</u>
Vaccinated: Stay in school. Monitor for symptoms. Wear a well fitting mask. Unvaccinated: Stay in school, Monitor to Stay Protocol. Monitor for symptoms for 5 days. Wear a well fitting mask. If you are coming to school, you are attesting that you are symptom free.	Vaccinated or Unvaccinated: Stay Home. Test (Rapid & PCR recommended) *Complete the COVID Reporting Form Isolate until PCR results May return if PCR is negative If positive, see above.
<u>I am a Household Close Contact</u>	
<u>Vaccinated</u>	<u>Unvaccinated</u>
Stay in school and monitor for symptoms. If symptoms develop, testing is recommended. Isolate until test results are in or for 5 days from symptom onset.	Quarantine for 5 days AFTER positive family member finishes their isolation *Complete the COVID Reporting Form Positive person's 5 days + Close contact's 5 days = 10 days Quarantine may be longer depending on how long symptoms last for a positive person. Test and isolate if symptoms develop

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Home tests are accepted for a positive result, but **only a positive PCR exempts an individual from quarantine or isolation protocols within 90 days of the positive result. Also, a person who tests positive on a home test may not qualify for programs/treatments since the testing method cannot be confirmed.

<u>Travel Requirements</u>	
<u>Domestic Travel</u>	<u>International Travel</u>
<p><u>Vaccinated and Unvaccinated:</u></p> <p>Monitor for symptoms for 10 days. . PCR test is recommended upon return, Quarantine only if symptoms develop.</p>	<p><u>Vaccinated and Unvaccinated:</u></p> <p>Monitor for symptoms for 10 days. . PCR test is recommended upon return, Quarantine only if symptoms develop</p>

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