2022-2023 Rising Sun-Ohio County Community Schools
Return to Learn

This document is an **ever-changing** document and changes are expected

This plan could change if COVID cases increase dramatically throughout our district. Our main goals are the safety of our students, staff, and community while also making sure that students are at school as much as possible.

2022-2023 Covid Guidelines

***Covid Guidelines are subject to change based on individual circumstances and based on current trends and rate of outbreaks at the discretion of school administration and the county health department.

***All positive covid cases should be reported to the appropriate school office. All covid questions can be directed to school administration, our school nurse, or the Ohio County Health Department.

Positive Covid Test (Staff or Student)

- Any test will be accepted including at home tests, tests done at school, tests done at any
 testing site, and/or tests done at a doctor's office or medical facility. At home tests can
 be purchased at many stores and may also be available through the school or health
 department.
- A positive test will require that person to be excluded from school for 5 days from the first date of symptoms and will require a mask to be worn for days 6-10. If symptoms are improving and you have been fever free for 24 hours without medication, you may return with a mask on day 6. On day 11, if symptoms have resolved or are improving and he/she has been fever free for 24 hours without medication, a mask is no longer needed.
- Once you have a positive test, you will no longer need to be excluded from school for 6 months with an additional positive test, but you would be required to wear a mask for 10 days from the first date of symptoms.
- If waiting on a test result, you will be required to quarantine at home until you receive test results.
- Positive tests are handled on a case to case basis and these guidelines are subject to change based on individual circumstances at the discretion of school personnel.

Positive Covid Case in the Home

- If you have a family member positive that lives in your home, you will be required to mask for 10 days from the date of the first symptom, and monitor yourself closely for symptoms regardless of vaccination status.
- If symptoms develop, you will be asked to test for Covid. Any test will be accepted, see above. If you become positive, the above guidelines apply.
- Positive cases in the home are handled on a case to case basis and are subject to change based on individual circumstances.

Exposure or Possible Exposure Outside the Home

• If you have an exposure to someone who tested positive to Covid (that does not live in your home), you will be asked to monitor for symptoms and test if symptoms develop. You will not be excluded or be expected to mask. If symptoms develop after an exposure, you will be asked to follow the above guidelines and may be required to test.

Exposure in the Classroom/Athletes/Extra-Curricular Activities

- If there is a positive case in a classroom, on a team, or during an extra-curricular activity, you will be asked to monitor closely for symptoms. You will not be excluded or be expected to mask. If symptoms develop after an exposure, you will be asked to follow the above guidelines and may be required to test.
- If there is a wide spread outbreak from exposure in a classroom or an extra-curricular activity including sports, changes may be made based on the situation.

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