

EDGERTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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RE: COVID Procedures 21-22 SY

EPS Families,

After listening to the recommendations from the CDC, MDH, and MDE, here is our COVID plan heading into the new school year. This was designed from the recommendations given to us as well as conversations our school nurse has had with other schools along with feedback from stakeholders. Decisions will be made based on the situation in the EPS building, not the surrounding areas.

- Students, staff, and visitors are **NOT** required to wear a face covering, regardless of vaccination status. The school supports anyone that wishes to wear a face covering if they so choose.
- Visitors may be in school for educational purposes only.
- <u>ALL</u> people are <u>**REQUIRED</u>** by the CDC order to wear face coverings on a school bus.</u>
- If our school building infection rate is high, using 3% (>14 cases) then ALL students, staff, and visitors will be required to wear a mask during the school day for 2 weeks (regardless of vaccination status).
- In the event our infection rate exceeds 5% (>24 cases) we will consider distance learning for all students.
- We will use a modified decision tree to recommend quarantining which is based on last spring's MDH model and what many schools in our area are doing. Our goal is to keep students and staff save while maintaining in-person learning. For the Decision Tree <u>Click Here</u>.
- Contact tracing will resume as a recommendation for best practice.
- We encourage water bottles, the use of hand sanitizers, and continued hand washing for all.
- Frequent surface cleaning will continue.
- Meal time and recesses will return to Pre-COVID structure. Seating charts will be created for easier contact tracing.
- If your child is not feeling well, please keep them home.
- Distance Learning will be offered on a case by case basis.

*All plans and procedures could change at any time based on the MDH, MDE, or CDC.

Thank you, 🔒

Keith Buckridge Superintendent