WASD Updated Student Guidance for Positive Cases and Quarantine Following Exposure to CUVID-19

New Changes as of 8/11/22

Students Who Test Positive for COVID:

Regardless of vaccination status, any student who tests positive for COVID-19 must:

- Isolate for 5 days at home and not attend school
 - Day 0 is first day of symptoms, or date of + test if asymptomatic
- May return to school on day 6 but is required to wear a mask on days 6-10

*Any student who on day 6 has worsening symptoms or a fever, should <u>NOT</u> return to school until symptoms improve and no fever without medication for 24 hours.

*All students will be required to wear a mask on days 6-10 in the school setting following return from a positive case.

Students Who are Exposed to COVID-19

The recommendations below apply to **asymptomatic** students. Any student who develop symptoms after exposure to a COVID-19 positive person and are identified as a close contact must be tested for COVID-19 before returning to school or provide a doctor's note. (COVID test cannot be a take home test for negative results. Positive results will be accepted).

As of August 11th, students who are identified as a close contact (school or household exposure) to someone who has tested positive and are **asymptomatic do** <u>NOT</u> need to quarantine from school. Students identified as a close contact are required to wear a mask in school at all times for 10 days from the last day of contact for non-household exposures and household exposures will be required to mask for 15 days regardless of vaccination status or COVID-19 infection within past 30 days. Testing is recommended for prior COVID-19 infection within 31-90 days if asymptomatic or symptomatic.

- Monitor for symptoms
 - If you develop symptoms, isolate immediately, get tested and stay home until you know the results
- Recommend testing at least 5 full days after your last exposure
- If you test negative, continue wearing a mask through day 10
- If you test positive, isolate immediately

Any student who is not willing or medically able to wear a mask in school on days 6-10 following a positive case or for 10-15 days after being identified as a close contact will need to remain in quarantine or quarantine. The school nurse will provide a return date.

Identification of Close Contacts in School Setting

Based on current guidance, close contact is when any person is sitting/standing under six feet away for more than 15 minutes (over a 24-hour period) from a student/parent/staff member who has tested positive.

- If both are wearing masks, the exposed student is not considered a close contact if 3-6 ft away.
- If both are NOT wearing masks, the exposed student under 6 feet would be identified as a close contact.

It is the responsibility of the student's family to inform the school of close contact cases that may occur outside of the school setting.