



Parents, Students, and Faculty:

The board of education met on December 13, 2021 and made a motion to update the District Plan for Safe Return to In-Person Instruction. These updates are located on this document under the Covid-19 tab on our website. Please read the document in its entirety for updates. We have put together a **Q** and **A** to use as a guide as we navigate through the changes. Please, call and request to speak to district administration if you have any additional questions. As a reminder the district offers free drive thru Covid-19 testing to all students and staff of the Adair County R-I school district as needed. Please, call and talk to the school nurse so she may conduct a health screening by phone if you feel a test is needed. The biggest deterrent in not further spreading the virus is for students/staff to stay home when they are sick. Our goal is to keep students and staff members safe and healthy, and to keep as many students learning, in-seat, as possible.

Q: If I have tested positive for Covid-19, will I be able to attend school?

A: No, you should isolate for 10 days from the onset of symptoms. If you are not symptomatic but had a positive test, you should isolate for 10 days from your positive test result. If after 10 days you still have notable symptoms, you should not return to school. You should contact the school as soon as you are aware of the positive test.

Q. If I have a family member who lives with me who tests positive for Covid-19, will I be able to attend school?

A: If your household is able to isolate the positive family member per CDC guidance, you may participate in “Test to Stay Protocol” to return to school. Please read more about this exact protocol in the document entitled “Missouri School Covid-19 Operating Guidance” produced by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. Option 4 “Test to Stay” is located in page 5-7 of this document. This option may only be used if the Covid-19 positive family member is practicing safe isolation procedures in the home. Masks will be required for this scenario. You also have the option to stay home for the recommended quarantine period for this type of exposure and attend classes via our online platform.

<https://dese.mo.gov/media/pdf/missouri-school-operating-guidance>

Please Note If you are not able to isolate from your Covid-19 positive family member per CDC guidance, you should not attend school for 10 days from your last contact with your positive family member.

Q: If I have been exposed to someone with Covid-19 at school or outside of my home, can I come to school?

A: Yes, you can come to school with precautions in place. You are considered a close contact and you should monitor symptoms daily. We highly recommend you wear a mask if you are considered a close contact. If any symptoms present, you should not attend school. Covid-19 testing is available from the school health office. If your exposure happens at school, the district will notify parents/staff. If you are exposed to Covid-19 you also have the option to stay home to watch for symptoms while using our online platform for academics. Please communicate with the district administration directly for questions about close contact exposure. You may monitor the number of district wide Covid positive cases, grade levels, and exposures on our school website under the Covid-19 tab.

Q: If I am involved in athletics what do I need to know?

A: You should not attend practices or games if you are sick. Your parent should contact the coach directly via phone and alert them that you are sick and you will not be in attendance. Athletes who test positive for Covid-19 must follow guidelines from MSHSAA, including the "Return to Play" protocol. Please see our website for more information about this protocol.

Q: If my child misses school due to a Covid-19 positive test or close contact exposure will this count against their attendance?

A: No, please contact the school office with exact information about the scenario so we may document the need for exclusion from school on their attendance record.

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