



SWRS COVID-19 Programs Overview

Summary of Changes

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Use of Masks in School

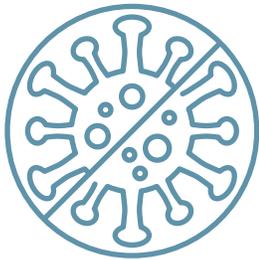
CDC guidance on the use of masks has change and the district has made changes to match the CDC guidance. The CDC has created a way to evaluate COVID-19 risk levels for communities and/or census areas.

The new guidance uses a low (green) , medium (yellow), and high (orange) risk levels. Below is the district guidance on mask use.

- ***Low (green)** – masks are optional.
- ***Medium (yellow)** – masks are optional.
 - If you are immunocompromised or at high risk for severe illness, talk with your healthcare provider about wearing masks indoors.
- ***High (orange)** – masks are optional but may be required if there is a significant outbreak of COVID 19.

For more information about the recent CDC guidance, visit:

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html



Test to Stay Protocol

Students and staff are able to eliminate quarantines and continue to go to school through the Test to Stay program. This program is based on CDC guidance.

For Close Contacts that choose the Test To Stay protocol, quarantine is not required and you can continue to go to school if the following requirements are met:

- Get tested every day for the first five days of being a close contact; AND
- Wear a mask for 10 days from when they were a close contact.

For Close Contacts that live in a house with a COVID positive person, quarantine is not required and you can continue to go to school if the following requirements are met:

- Get tested every day for ten days from first exposure to the COVID positive person; AND
- Wear a mask for those ten days from the first exposure.

**Students and staff that are part of the test to stay program are required to wear a mask for a limited time regardless of the community risk level.*

For more information about the changes to the SWRS COVID-19 Programs Overview visit: www.swrsd.org