

## 2022-2023 DCPS COVID-19 Procedures

**Masking:** Masking will remain optional for all students and staff. DCPS will continue to have a supply of adult and children's masks available as supplies allow. (Masks will be required for symptomatic students while in the school health room.)

### **Positive COVID Test:**

- Per the CDC, those with a positive test should quarantine for 5 days from the start of symptoms or positive test.
- As long as the person is fever free 24 hours and symptoms are improving prior to day 5, individuals can return to school. Upon return to school after day 5, wear a mask for an additional 5 days.

### **Exposures (Household Exposures Only):**

- Vaccinated: No Quarantine Necessary but monitor symptoms and stay home if you become ill.
- Unvaccinated: Quarantine 5 days and, upon return to school after day 5, wear a mask for an additional 5 days. Monitor for symptoms during this period and testing is encouraged on day 5.
- < 90 days Post COVID: No Quarantine Necessary unless symptoms develop.

**Optional COVID-19 Testing:** DCPS "Test-To-Stay" program will not be available for students or employees this school year as state funding for this has expired. Tests may be available as needed, depending on supply on hand.

**Contact Tracing:** Contact tracing will not be provided for the 2022-2023 school year.

**Seating Charts:** Teachers and bus drivers will not be required to develop seating charts for contact tracing purposes.

**Student Attendance:** The Kentucky Department of Education is returning to pre-pandemic attendance policies regarding student attendance. There is no longer a state approved excused absence for students relating to COVID-19. As with any other illness, COVID-19 related absences will require a medical or parent note.

**Employee Sick Leave:** COVID-19 related absences will be treated as any other illness requiring the use of accumulated paid sick leave. [702 KAR 1:191](#), effective on May 3, 2022, provides for additional paid leave for school district employees who have either exhausted or are ineligible to use accumulated sick leave.

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