

Bluejay Return Plan

FALL 2023

Our goal remains the same for Fall 2023: to provide a safe and healthy environment for all Three Lakes School District students and staff. We believe the Three Lakes School District educational programming is at its best when students receive five-day, on-site learning.

The Three Lakes School District continues to work with local health officials to monitor local health conditions. We remain flexible and responsive as we work to achieve a full school year of on-site instruction.

Maintaining a Safe and Healthy School Environment

Based on the recommendations of the CDC, WIAA and local health officials, the following preventative measures are encouraged:

- Staying up-to-date on vaccinations
- Masking based on community risk levels
- Appropriate hygiene practices
- Physical distancing

Vaccinations

- While vaccination for those who are eligible is encouraged, the district recognizes that vaccination is an individual decision.

When to Stay Home

- Students and staff should stay home when exhibiting any symptoms of illness.

Face Coverings or Masks

- Face coverings and masks are optional and will be an individual decision. All staff and students will be supported, regardless of their decisions to wear or not wear masks.

Reporting and Communication

- For 2023-24, the district will include absence reports in our weekly parent e-newsletters
- Parents will be contacted individually as situations warrant, such as in an exposure situation.

ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE

May 11, 2023, marked the end of the federal COVID-19 public health emergency declaration. TLSD COVID-19 guidelines have been updated to reflect changes from the CDC that were issued on May 5, 2023. If you would like to read the document in full, please visit the CDC website. **Isolation** refers to the time after a confirmed COVID case. **Quarantine** refers to the time following a COVID exposure.

ISOLATION GUIDELINES

If you've tested positive for COVID-19:

- Isolate for five days regardless of vaccination status.
- If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your symptoms resolve. You should be fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- After five days of isolation, you may return to school if you are asymptomatic or your symptoms are resolving. However, you should wear a well-fitting mask for five more days when around others.

UPDATED CDC QUARANTINE GUIDELINES

Quarantine is no longer recommended for people who are exposed to COVID-19 except in certain high-risk congregate settings such as correctional facilities, homeless shelters, and nursing homes. In schools and ECE settings, which are generally not considered high-risk congregate settings, people who were exposed to COVID-19 should follow recommendations to wear a well-fitting mask and get tested.