



WAYNE ACADEMY

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Due to recent changes from the CDC and the MS State Department of Health we have revised our COVID policy. Wayne Academy will not require masks unless further direction is received from state and local authorities. However, masks are recommended. Students and staff will wear a mask during transition but will not be required to wear a mask in the classrooms once seated. However, if a student or staff member feels more comfortable wearing a mask at all times they are welcome to do so. Your child's health and safety are our main priorities. We plan to remain with face to face instruction. This policy will be reevaluated as needed, as this is a fluid process.

PERSONS WITH COVID-19:

*All WA persons (employees, students, and persons who have had contact with WA persons) who are diagnosed with COVID-19 should immediately notify the front office before coming to campus or reporting for work.

*Students who become ill at school will be placed in a designated area of quarantine with a facial covering in place. Staff will wear masks and gloves when caring for these students. A parent will be called to transport the child home.

*Each class and each sporting team will be evaluated on a case by case basis by Administration.

*Students sent home from school should be kept home until they have completely recovered and completed the 10 quarantine (a return date will be issued).

*All employees and students who are diagnosed with COVID-19 must isolate for 10 days and should be asymptomatic (FEVER FREE) for 3 days before returning to school. (Note: distance learning will be available during this time for these students).

* After the isolation period, asymptomatic persons may be allowed to return to school activities.

COVID-19 – Close Contact

• Anyone who has had close **extended** contact with someone with COVID-19 should stay home for 10 days after their last exposure to that person (this includes students who cannot isolate from a family member). There are additional options to the 10-day quarantine period from the school setting as follows:

* 5- day plus test option: If the individual has no symptoms for 5 days and has a negative test result collected on day 5 of the quarantine period, the quarantine period can be discontinued after 5 days.

• However, anyone who has had close contact with someone with COVID-19 and who meets the following criteria does NOT need to stay home.

* Someone who has been fully vaccinated and shows no symptoms of COVID-19, or

* Someone who has COVID-19 illness within the previous 3 months, and has recovered, and remains without COVID-19 symptoms (for example, cough, shortness of breath).

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