



MINERSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES

COVID-19 PROTOCOL

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In accordance with the updated guidance released by the PA DOH and CDC 12/30/21, the Minersville Area School District will adjust our quarantine and isolation protocol as follows:

Positive Case:

- Any individual who tests positive for COVID-19 must isolate for a minimum of 5 days from the onset of symptoms (or from the test date if asymptomatic).
- If the individual is asymptomatic or has significantly resolved symptoms after 5 days, they may return to school/activities with the constant use of a mask/face covering. Anyone returning to school must be fever free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- Proof of positive test results should be forwarded to the school nurse for the individual's record.

Exposure:

- Individuals exposed to a positive case of COVID-19 and have been fully vaccinated are not required to quarantine as long as they remain symptom free and wear a mask/face covering. Proof of vaccination to be submitted to the school nurse for the confidential medical file.
- Unvaccinated individuals or those not fully vaccinated, who have been exposed to a positive case of COVID-19 must quarantine for 5 days from the date of last exposure. If the exposed individual remains symptom free after 5 days of quarantine, they may return to school, wearing a mask/face covering.

Household Exposure:

- Unvaccinated individuals living in the same home with a household member who tests positive for COVID-19 must complete a 10-day quarantine (5 days of the positive case's isolation period + 5 days of quarantine from the last date of the isolation period). Upon return to school activities, a mask/face covering must be worn at all times, including all extra-curricular activities for an additional 5 days. They then can resume routine masking protocols.

Testing:

- A negative home test is not accepted due to high false negative results.
- When possible all exposed persons should test on day #5 regardless of vaccination status through a clinical laboratory.
- A copy of the test result should accompany the individual upon the return to school.