

USD 473 Modified Quarantine Guidelines:

- Students or staff members who can verify (with medical documentation) having contracted COVID-19 or having received a COVID-19 vaccination will **NOT** be placed into quarantine but will be required to wear a mask for 7 days and must remain asymptomatic.
- Students or staff members who **are not able to verify** having contracted COVID-19 or having received a COVID-19 vaccination **will NOT be placed into 10 days of quarantine IF:**
 - The student or staff member was wearing a mask.
 - The student or staff member was **not** within three feet for more than **10 minutes collectively in a high-risk exposure activity.**

Examples of high-risk exposures include:

- Consuming food/drink less than three feet apart.
- Activities that include physical exertion, less than three feet apart for longer than 10 cumulative minutes, including, but not limited to playground and PE activity.
- Athletic activity that involves close, sustained contact between participants, lack of significant protective barriers indoors, and high probability that respiratory droplets will be transmitted between participants. (See statement on Risk of Covid-19 During High School Sports, National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (SMAC). <https://www.nfhs.org/media/4295118/nfhs-smac-statement-on-risk-of-covid-19-during-high-school-sports-january-27-2021-final.pdf>)
- Playing woodwind and brass instruments less than three feet apart without a mask.
- Singing/shouting less than three feet apart without a mask.
 - This list is not exhaustive. Additional considerations such as duration or contact, amount of physical distance, other mitigation measures, and symptoms of infectious individuals may alter these recommendations.
- Additionally, students or staff members who **are not able to verify** having contracted COVID-19 or having received a COVID-19 vaccination **will NOT be placed into 10 days of quarantine IF:**
 - The student or staff member was not in close contact for 10 **consecutive** minutes or longer at three feet or less, **and at least one party was properly wearing a facemask.**

KDHE has stated that the below people are not expected to self-quarantine after exposure to a COVID-19 case:

- Close contacts with evidence of previous infection supported by a positive PCR or antigen test are **not** expected to self-quarantine after exposure, **as long as they remain asymptomatic.**
- Fully vaccinated people are not expected to self-quarantine after exposure if they meet the following criteria:
 - Are fully vaccinated (i.e., > 2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or > 2 weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine).
 - **Have remained asymptomatic since the current COVID-19 exposure.**
- **Quarantine Guidelines for identified close contacts to a COVID-19 positive case with NO history of COVID-19 vaccination or NO medical documentation of having contracted COVID-19 previously:**
 - Home Quarantine Guidelines
 - **A quarantined student or staff member may return on day eight** if the student or staff member remains asymptomatic for at least seven days and is tested negative by a PCR test on day six or later.
 - 10 days without testing: if **asymptomatic**, can return on Day 11.
 - School Quarantine Guidelines
 - An identified close contact, student or staff member, **may remain in school** with the following criteria:
 - Daily testing for 7 days.
 - Wear a mask for at least seven days from their last exposure.
 - Additional social distancing.
 - Limited participation in high-risk activities, such as sports, choir, band, etc.
 - **Remain asymptomatic.**

Regardless of how a school district chooses to manage a close contact's modified self-quarantine, the close contact should still monitor for symptoms for 14 days after exposure