

Dear All:

The Custer School District will adopt the following changes to its current COVID plan.

In the past, we have allowed staff to continue working despite having positive COVID-19 household members. Upon review of recent cases, we have decided this is not the best practice. Going forward, if you have a positive household member, it will be expected that you, as staff, will also be required to quarantine using the following recommendations.

- Release from quarantine after 7 days
 - Assumes the person in quarantine:
 - Has remained asymptomatic (has no symptoms)
 - Has a negative molecular or rapid antigen test that was collected on Day 5 or later, after their last contact with a person with COVID-19 (i.e., Day 5 of their quarantine or later)
 - Continues to monitor their symptoms for the remainder of the 10-day period and will stay at home, and seek testing, if they become sick
- Release from quarantine after 10 days
 - Assumes the person in quarantine:
 - Has remained asymptomatic (has no symptoms)
 - Has/Is not tested on Day 5 (or later during quarantine)

Rationale: This change will reflect what the district is doing with students. Students who have close contact with positive COVID cases in the home have to follow the guidelines set forth above.

Staff members and/or students who are “close contacts” with fellow students or staff members while in school are able to remain in, or come back to, school immediately, wearing masks, and have daily wellness checks for a 10-day period.

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