

# Greencastle Community School Corporation Return to In-Person Instruction Plan

The following guidelines will be in effect as of August 15, 2022. The updates to the GCSC Return to In-Person Instruction Plan are a result of ongoing collaboration between district officials, the GCSC Board of School Trustees as well as local and state health officials.

### Student and Staff Health Protocols

Parents will be the first line of defense in keeping our schools healthy. All parents are required to daily screen their student(s) before sending them to school. All staff are required to self-screen before coming to school. Students and staff should not attend school, and will be excluded from school, if they test positive for COVID-19. Please report positive COVID results, from a trained testing facility, to your students' school. The attendance officer at each school will notify the school nurse and building administration.

#### **Isolation Guidance**

If an individual tests positive:

- Stay home and isolate yourself from other people for at least 5 full days (day 0 is the first day of symptoms or the date of the day of the positive viral test for asymptomatic persons).
- People who are in isolation may return to school on day 6 as long as they are fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications and symptoms have improved.
- They should wear a mask around others at home, in public and at school for an additional 5 days (days 6-10).
- People who are confirmed to have COVID-19 regardless of their vaccination status or symptoms should isolate.

#### COVID in the home:

- Students and staff members can attend school, regardless of vaccination status, when there is a positive COVID case in the home.
- Masks are not required for the students and staff members.
- Continue to monitor for any possible COVID symptoms.
- Follow the guidance listed above for a confirmed positive case.

## **Medical Inquiries**

When calling in to report your child sick, you will be asked if your child is experiencing COVID-19 related symptoms.

- If a parent reports that a student is ill, we will ask the parent whether the student is exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19.
- If a staff member calls in sick or appears ill, we will inquire as to whether the staff member is experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms.

• If a person (student, staff member or visitor) is obviously ill, GCSC will make additional inquiries and may exclude the person from school property.

# **Contact Tracing Guidance**

Per the <u>Indiana Department of Health</u>, GCSC staff will discontinue contact tracing for each COVID-19 case. Clinic staff will continue to communicate with the Putnam County Health Department and consider increased mitigation strategies if clusters or outbreaks occur.

Return to Play Form (Athletes)