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Lexington Public Schools have recently adopted measures that are meant to heighten safeguards during a covid-19 surge that is undeniably present during the winter months and as more time is spent indoors. By Board resolution and Administrative action the following requirements, procedures, and order compliance have been established and are effective immediately:

### **School Sites and Buses**

Facial Coverings are required in the indoor common areas of school sites for grades 4-12. These areas include the hallways, lobbies or commons, restrooms, libraries, offices, and all areas where food is sold or served except when eating.

Teachers of fourth through twelfth grades may decide whether facial coverings are required at all times in their classroom. When facial coverings are not required at all times, the teacher will have a facial covering on during any time they are having close contact with a student, and may ask the student they are having close contact with to wear a facial covering.

Bus Drivers may decide whether facial coverings are required at all times on their bus. When facial coverings are not required at all times, the bus driver will have a facial covering on any time they are having close contact with a student, and may ask the student they are having close contact with to wear a facial covering.

Accordingly, it is important and necessary that students have a facial covering readily available while at school or riding a bus.

### **District Quarantine Procedures**

These procedures are recognized as supplemental to, and superseding, any change in Health Department or CDC guidelines.

A fourteen day quarantine will be necessary for a person who:

- has the onset of covid-19 symptoms.
- has had close contact exposure to another person with either the onset of symptoms or a positive test result. \*Exposures to be considered include 48 hours prior to onset or test result. Quarantine begins at last exposure.
- is a person living in the same household with another person with either the onset of symptoms or a positive test result. \*A longer quarantine may be necessary when the isolation of the person with the onset of symptoms or a positive test result cannot be achieved.

A ten day quarantine, including three days free of fever without fever reducing medications, will be necessary for a person who:

- has tested positive for covid-19



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### **Best Practices when Students are Not Feeling Well**

Students should not come to school with a temperature or the detection of any symptoms that are possibly covid-19.

Students should see a health care provider to determine if a covid-19 test is recommended when symptoms persist.

### **Responding to Governor Stitt's Executive Order Regarding Indoor Youth Sports**

Teams whose average attendance exceeds four persons per participant will provide four passes prior to each home contest. As much information as possible about the requirements of away contest facilities will be shared as it is received.

We are finalizing plans to livestream home events where attendance is limited. As much information as possible about viewing or listening opportunities of away contests will be shared as it is received.

### **Indoor Facilities**

Facial Coverings are required in all activity and performance facilities, including gyms, auditorium, and the agriculture exhibition barn. \*Exemptions for student participants may vary according to the type of activity, specific facility, capacity, and governing bodies.

### **Other School Procedures**

Temperatures will continue to be taken regularly prior to the beginning of school and athletic practices.

Traveling student athletes and activity groups will be required to wear masks and to distance as much as available transportation will allow.

Daily sanitizing with an electrostatic mister in facilities, and high pressure sprayer on buses, continues.

### **Instruction and Consideration of Measures**

District leadership strongly believes that in-person direct instruction is the most effective educational delivery for the vast majority of students. While we appreciate the resources that have allowed us to offer a virtual option this year, and are proud of students and teachers when distance education has been necessary, we hope to achieve maximum time in school through the measures included here.

Lexington Public Schools plan to monitor the availability of the covid-19 vaccine and the general conditions of the pandemic in our community and state to determine when it is appropriate to modify or discontinue any of the measures discussed.