Colby School District Guidelines

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Guidelines for the use of masks in school facilities:

• Masks are not required in ALL PreK-12 settings.

Guidelines for Staff/Student Positives:

- Individuals identified with a **positive (PCR / Antigen) Covid diagnosis** (in a school/athletics /activities setting) will required to Isolate/resume activities until they have been fever-free for at least 24 hours without the aid of medications and if their symptoms are improving.
- Student Illness with a positive Covid diagnosis will not have quarantine days counted in the 10 "parent excused" absences. Home tests are NOT acceptable.
- Staff Illness with a positive Covid diagnosis will not have quarantine days applied towards sick leave. Home tests are NOT acceptable.
- Staff/Students may return they have been fever-free for at least 24 hours without the aid of medications and if their symptoms are improving. Wearing a mask while still exhibiting symptoms is strongly encouraged.

Guidelines for Staff/Student Quarantines:

- The School will not contact trace in classrooms.
- Decisions regarding the quarantine of asymptomatic students will be made by the parent(s). If requested, the District will provide class or classes with the positive case. The District will NOT identify positive cases by individual.

Guidelines for symptomatic Staff/Students at school:

- Student who are ill should remain home. Illness does count towards the 10 allowable parent excused absences, unless they have a physician's statement or positive PCR or Antigen test.
- Student Illness with a positive Covid diagnosis will not have quarantine days counted in the 10 "parent excused" absences. Home tests are NOT acceptable.
- Staff Illness with a positive Covid diagnosis will not have quarantine days deducted from sick leave. Home tests are NOT acceptable.

Guidelines for School Buses

Federal Rule governs public transportation.

• School buses are considered public transportation. The District will honor any requirements established by our bus contractor.