



Prairie Heights Community School Corporation

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Dear Prairie Heights Parents:

As of Monday, February 1, we have changed our quarantine procedures. We will no longer quarantine students if the contact tracing leads to a classroom setting where students are at their desks and wearing their masks. This change does not apply to athletics, physical education classes, other unstructured areas where students may be in closer contact, or close contacts from outside of school. Our school nurse has been collecting data since August on the students we have sent home, and the data shows that there is a low spread here at school. Yesterday, the Indiana State Department of Health released their new recommendations for quarantine procedures which states, "We will no longer require schools to quarantine if the students and staff are socially distanced at least three feet and are wearing a mask at all times. This change does not apply to lunch, athletics, band, orchestra, choir or any other school setting where students may gather, nor does it apply to classrooms in which students have been allowed to remove their masks." With these new guidelines, we will continue to contact parents of close contacts. However, we will give you the choice on whether you want to quarantine your child or have them remain in school. We will continue to post on facebook and our website each time we have a positive case, but I will not include the number of students/staff that are being quarantined. Again, those who are close contacts will be notified by the school.

We were notified on Tuesday (February 2) that a high school student has tested positive for the coronavirus. All close contacts have been notified.

We were notified yesterday (February 3) that a high school staff member has tested positive for the coronavirus. There were no close contacts.

Respectfully,

Jeff Reed
Superintendent