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Memo

To: APW Families

From: Lynn K. Rhone

Date: January 12, 2022

Re: Return to school after COVID or exposure

Thank you for your patience as we weed through the ever changing guidance from NYS and the Oswego County Department of Health. Below, please find our district's protocols for students returning to the classroom.

COVID positive

Students who have tested positive for COVID [have a 10 day quarantine from onset of symptoms.](#)

CLOSE CONTACT to a positive case

[Unvaccinated students that have been a close contact will have a 5 day quarantine and can return as long as they are asymptomatic](#)

You may note that the Department of Health has approved a 5 day quarantine for students who are COVID positive and asymptomatic. The school district has the option to increase this quarantine guideline in accordance with local conditions for COVID 19.

We have chosen to instill a 10 day quarantine for all students who have a COVID positive result. This decision is based on many factors including the high number of cases in our area and the fact that students, of all ages, find it difficult to wear their masks correctly throughout a school day.

In an effort to keep everyone as safe as possible and keep schools open for in-person learning, we felt this was the best possible course of action for us.

Test to Stay Option--- At this point in time, the district will not use the **Test to Stay Option** due to uncertainty in availability of tests and the shortened 5 day quarantine for close contact students.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 315-625-5252 or by email lrhone@apw.cnyric.org