



## Updated COVID Protocols for 2022-23, pending NJDOH review and guidance

As of September 1, 2022

At the August 25th Board meeting, Dr. Priolo spelled out which COVID protocols remain in place and which have changed or been eliminated. As always, the district team will keep an eye on county and state recommendations and requirements related to COVID and other health issues.

As of today, these are our criteria:

- Remaining Protocols:
- Optional masking
- Optional outdoor eating
- Maintaining cleaning standards
- COVID+ student/staff must stay home for 5 days from symptom onset or positive COVID test (first day is day 0).
- Use of COVID+ reporting form
- Students returning to school from COVID+ required to mask on days 6-10.
- Student athletes returning from COVID+ may return to observation-only participation on days 6-10, masked (unless physically distanced). Cardiac clearance is required.

What has changed:

- Testing mandate for unvaccinated staff has ended.
- Weekly after-school testing is no longer available.
- COVID courtesy notices will no longer be sent.
- Only students/staff who present COVID-like symptoms will be required to submit a negative test to return prior to 5 days.
- If student/staff has a known exposure to COVID, it's recommended they wear a mask for 10 days and test on day 5 following exposure. This is a recommendation and not a requirement.
- Virtual instruction has been eliminated; as with any illness, students can make up work by contacting teachers/viewing assignments on Google Classroom/Canvas.