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Update on CDC Guidance

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Johnsonburg Area School District (JASD) will be aligning our procedures to reflect recent updates from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH) with regards to mitigation strategies for positive COVID-19 cases and close contacts. The CDC has stated that these changes are based on evidence that people with COVID-19 are most infectious in the early stages of infection.

Per new CDC guidelines, students or staff members who test positive for COVID-19 must isolate for five complete (5) days. If, after five complete (5) days, the individual has been fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications, and if other symptoms are resolving, their isolation period is over.

Persons who have been exposed to a positive case of COVID-19 will also have a shortened period of isolation. Close contacts who are not vaccinated will isolate for five days rather than ten. As before, vaccinated students and staff members are not subject to school exclusion as long as they remain symptom-free.

Please reach out to your child's building administrator or school nurse for additional guidance, if needed.

Thank you,

Ms. Karen Haberberger