

MODIFIED QUARANTINE UPDATE

September 28, 2021

NEW MODIFIED QUARANTINE BASICS

- Wearing a mask allows close contacts to stay in school
 - SCCDPH option only, not state-based
 - In discussion with SCCDPH leadership, if numbers increase, this option could be retracted
 - Effective beginning Thursday, September 30th (not retroactive)
 - SCCDPH shared with County Superintendents Monday afternoon
 - SCCDPH shared details with District Nurses Tuesday afternoon
 - WSD will make procedural adjustments and calibrate with nurses and administrators on Wednesday

DISTRICT & BUILDING REQUIREMENTS

- Schools that have 2% or higher cases will be expected to revisit the implementation of mitigation strategies.
- Schools with a 4% or higher case rate are not eligible and will need to revert to the in-home quarantine.
- Schools will have to implement school-based contact tracing to utilize this modified quarantine.

CLOSE CONTACT DETAILS

- Close contacts (0-6 feet) who consistently and appropriately wear a well-fitting mask now qualify for MODIFIED QUARANTINE (regardless of whether or not the positive case is wearing a mask) IF...
 - the close contact remains symptom-free throughout the duration of the quarantine period
 - the close contact continues to consistently and appropriately wear a well-fitting mask for the duration of the quarantine period
- Must continue to quarantine outside of the regular school day
- May still qualify for shortened quarantine
 - after 7 days with a negative test and no symptoms
 - after 10 days with no symptoms
- Only applies to school close contacts (not home or community contacts)