

Wappingers CSD COVID-19 Revised Protocols and School Operations Procedures

Effective 2/4/21

Contact Tracing: Positive Test

Classroom: Quarantine

Quarantine protocols will be limited to only those students who were seated either adjacent to and/or directly in front/behind the index case OR: limited to staff/students who participated in proximate direct instruction/support services with the index case for 10 minutes or more. Staff members who push into the classroom for periods of 30 minutes or less, AND whose interactions are of distances greater than 6 feet to the index case, AND where staff members are wearing appropriate PPE. THEY WILL NOT be required to quarantine.

Cafeteria/Large Multi-Use Spaces: Quarantine

As long as ALL individuals (Students/Staff) have maintained appropriate social distancing, 6 feet or more apart, then contact tracing efforts will NOT extend to multi use spaces UNLESS an individual comes into contact with the index case in a distance less than 6 feet for a duration of ten minutes or more.

District Transportation (Bus or Van): Quarantine

When an individual tests positive and rides District Transportation, the recommendation made to quarantine will occur only for those individuals who were seated either adjacent to/and or directly in front /behind the index case. For buses with very low ridership, students will be required to sit at least 2 seats apart from each other in order to mitigate the risk of exposure. Seating charts will be necessary to ensure accuracy.

School Closures and Early Dismissals

School Closures

Upon notification of a positive COVID-19 case impacting the school community, The District will close a school for a 24 hour period when the notification involves an individual who was in attendance that day or the previous day, AND the building is not

able to be deep cleaned and sanitized prior to the opening of school for the next scheduled day of in-person instruction.

Early Dismissals

Will occur if The District is informed of a positive index case in the school community early in the day, AND the positive index case was still in the building upon notification, OR the number of individuals required to immediately quarantine as a result of the reported case creates a disruption to the safe operations of the building.

The District will continue to consult with the Dutchess County Department of Community and Behavioral Health as necessary.

All other protocols will remain in place.