



TO: Perry County Parents, Guardians, Students and Staff

RE: Updated Covid-19 Guidance

All Perry County Schools have worked collaboratively with the Health Department to provide safe, in-person learning for the students of Perry County and to mitigate the spread of Covid-19 in our community. As the situation continues to evolve in the county and state, so do our plans to ensure the best possible opportunity for our students.

On September 1 Governor Holcomb issued Executive Order 24-21, reaffirming and updating the authority of the Indiana State Department of Health. We have been advised that failure to comply creates safety concerns for the students, staff, and community, and may result in legal liability and reduced funding from the state.

To address these concerns the following changes will be implemented on Thursday, September 16, 2021 at all Perry County Schools:

- All students, staff, and visitors will be required to wear face coverings in school buildings, excluding activities in which a mask cannot be worn.
- Individuals will be contact traced but will not be quarantined when all people are masked. Exposed individuals will self monitor for symptoms. This does not apply to activities identified as “high risk” by the ISDH.
- Exposures in outdoor settings (recess) will not require contact tracing.
- Exposures in indoor settings when masks cannot be worn (lunch, choir, band) will require contact tracing at 6 feet for 15 minutes.
- Students exposed outside of school must comply with established quarantine return dates:
  - On day 8 with no symptoms a negative test on day 5-7
  - On day 11 with no symptoms
  - On day 15
- Quarantine exceptions include:
  - Proof of complete vaccination
  - Proof of Covid within the last 90 days
- Only students who are quarantined or have a medical exemption are eligible for virtual. There is no virtual by choice.

The current Executive Order is set to expire on September 30, 2021. At that time we will review Perry County data and any updates to the Executive Order. We believe that this is the best course of action to ensure a safe, in person learning environment for Perry County students. We appreciate your support.

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