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Happy New Year! I hope you have enjoyed a much needed break and quality time with family and friends. Weather permitting, we will return to school on Monday, January 3, 2022.

COVID cases are rising as we begin the new year and many of you have been directly impacted by COVID and other illnesses over the winter break. It stands to reason that COVID cases and quarantines will continue to rise as a result of family gatherings during the holidays. We want to take every precaution to keep our students and staff safe as we return to school.

**Earle School District continues to require masks be worn tightly over your nose and mouth. Parents and guardians, please ensure students come to school with a mask daily.**

The following is the latest guidance regarding both Isolation and Quarantine protocols. If anyone in your household has tested positive, please contact **Linda Maples**, our COVID-19 point of contact. She will answer any questions and give you guidance regarding your COVID status. You may reach her at **870.636.0435**.

#### If You Test Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)

**EVERYONE** (regardless of vaccination status):

- You must stay home for 10 days.
- If you have no symptoms at the end of 10 days, you may return to school.
- You should continue to wear a mask around others at all times.

If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever is gone. You must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.

#### If You Were Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 AND You are FULLY VACCINATED:

- You do not have to quarantine unless you start showing symptoms.

***If you develop symptoms, you should get a test and stay home.***

#### If You are UNVACCINATED:

- You should stay home for 10 days. If you don't show symptoms, you can return on the 11th day.
- After that, you should continue to wear a mask at all times.

***If you develop symptoms, get a test and stay home.***

We have all grown tired and weary of COVID, as it has been nearly two full years that we have been dealing with this pandemic. As we return to in-person learning, we want to ensure the safety of our students and staff.

Wear a mask and wash hands frequently. We encourage everyone who is eligible to get vaccinated.

Thank you for your continued support of the Earle School District!

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