

## **NEW PARENT CHOICE GUIDELINES FOR ADMINISTRATORS ON COVID-19 QUARANTINE PROCEDURES FOR ALL STUDENTS**

A newly signed Florida legislation by Governor Ron DeSantis authorizes **parent(s)/guardian(s)** the **right to choose** if they want to quarantine their child who **DOES NOT** have any COVID-19 symptoms after exposure. This parental choice applies to **ALL** students regardless of their vaccination status (This applies to vaccinated and unvaccinated students).

### **PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) CHOOSING NOT TO QUARANTINE THEIR CHILD**

- The student **may remain at school** and **participate in all academic and extra-curricular activities ONLY** if their child **DOES NOT** develop any COVID-19 symptoms during the school day, and for up to 14-days from the day of their child was exposed to someone who tested positive for COVID-19.
- Parents/guardians are advised to continue to monitor their child's/children's symptoms for up to **14-days** from the day of exposure, and if their child develops symptoms up until the 14<sup>th</sup> day of exposure of a direct contact or test positive for COVID-19 they **MUST ISOLATE** their child, contact their healthcare provider, and notify the **principal immediately**.
- If the student develops symptoms during the school day, the student will be placed in the health screening area, and the parent(s)/guardian(s) will be contacted immediately and advised to pick-up their child from school and as well as to contact their medical provider.

### **PARENT(S)/ GUARDIAN(S) CHOOSING TO QUARANTNE THEIR CHILD**

- Parent(s)/guardian(s) can decide if they want to continue to quarantine their child for the recommended 10-days.
- The students may return to school on **day six (6) of the quarantine**, if the student meets the following criteria:
  - The student **MUST** provide a **NEGATIVE PCR test** that was taken **on** or **after day five (5)** since the day of exposure
  - The COVID-PCR Test cannot be taken prior to day five (5) since the day of exposure.
- Parents/guardians are advised to continue to monitor their child's/children's symptoms for up to **14-days** from the day of exposure, and if their child develops a fever upon returning to school or symptoms contact their healthcare provider and notify the **principal immediately**.

### **STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN FULLY VACCINATED**

- **ALL** students who have been fully vaccinated, and have no symptoms nor have tested positive for COVID-19 **DO NOT** need to quarantine and may remain at school if they meet **ALL** of the following criteria:
  - The fully vaccinated student must **REMAIN WITHOUT SYMPTOMS** since the day of the current exposure to the COVID-19 confirmed positive or probable case.
  - The student is not a resident living in a group home.
  
- Parent(s)/guardian(s) are **NOT** required to show proof that the student has been fully vaccinated