## HESPERIA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

"ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE TOGETHER"

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Dear Hesperia Community Schools Families,

We are currently seeing an elevated level of cases, contact tracing, and quarantine of students, especially in the High School. Our number one priority is to keep students safe. We are also working as hard as we can to keep school open and kids learning. Hesperia Community Schools and the Board of Education strongly encourage students to wear masks while at school. Masking is proven to stop the spread of Covid 19 and it is a way to potentially avoid quarantine of asymptomatic students. In addition, if you choose to vaccinate your child, vaccinations can be done on a walk-in basis at most Doctor's Offices and Pharmacies. Vaccinated students without symptoms do not have to quarantine unless they test positive. Below are the guidelines from MDHHS for School Quarantine. Hesperia Community Schools will continue to follow these guidelines. We understand the frustration and difficulties quarantine can cause. We appreciate your continued patience and support in keeping our schools open for in person learning

Sincerely, Bryan D. Mey, Superintendent

	If the COVID-exposed student was:	Then they should:
School Quarantine	Vaccinated, regardless of masking and distancing.	Test on day 3, 4, or 5 and monitor symptoms for 14 days.
Guidance  What to do when a student is exposed to COVID-19 but doesn't have symptoms.	Distanced 3–6 feet and masked AND the COVID-positive student was masked.	Monitor symptoms for 14 days.
	Less than 3 feet apart and masked AND the COVID-positive student was masked.	Daily test for 7 days and monitor symptoms for 14 days.  Stay home for 7 days, return after day 7 with negative test or return after day 10.
Masking helps keep kids in the classroom.	Unmasked  OR  the COVID-positive student was unmasked.	Stay home for 7 days, return after day 7 with negative test or return after day 10.
MEDHHS Michigan.gov/Coronavirus	<b>♥</b> = Vaccinated	= Stay in-person ■ = Stay home