



Updated COVID Protocols - Updated September 2021

Masks:

- Currently, all students in grades 1-8 will be required to wear a mask through Wednesday, December 1st. The BCS Board of Trustees, Board of Directors, Mrs. Berg, Mr. Galstad, and the local medical practitioner will meet that evening to again review our protocols and discuss current trends in our area, state trends, and internal numbers.
- K3, K4, and K5: masking at this time is not required, but strongly recommended by the CRCHD, DHS, and CDC.
 - If a K3, K4, or K5 student is exposed, following day 10 of quarantine, it is **STRONGLY** recommended that the student wears a mask at school for the next 4 “monitoring” days, or consider staying home for the full 14 days due to unmasked exposure.
- If a child in grades 1-8 cannot wear a mask, a shield may be worn with prior approval from the principal.

This will be reviewed monthly:

- October 6
- November 3
- December 1
- January 5
- February 2
- March 2
- April 6
- May 4

Approved Testing

- PCR
- Rapid
- At home - can be used during initial symptoms, but must retest PCR or Rapid for official, approved results.
- Some Local Testing Locations:
 - Whitewater
 - Racine (Festival Hall) - M/TH
 - Walgreens
 - Illinois
 - UW-Milwaukee
 - American Family Field (depending on day)



Quarantine (unvaccinated) - 14 days highly recommended, however, see below:

Due to the mask mandatory, the following updates to the quarantine guidelines are as follows:

- Positive case - quarantine 10 days from first day of symptoms (return to school symptom free on day 11)
- Exposure -
 - 10 days symptom free (without a negative test) - they can return to school on day 11
 - 7 days symptom free (with a negative PCR / Rapid test on day 6 or 7 - proof of results required; at home test not valid) - they can return to school on day 7 or 8
 - If test is positive, quarantine starts over and the 10 day quarantine begins (student can return symptom free on day 11)
- Exposure in the home and positive case is NOT isolating -
 - 10 days without symptoms (monitor for 4 days following) - they can return to school on day 11
 - If symptoms begin, get tested immediately - quarantine starts over
 - If positive, 10 day quarantine starts (return day 11)
 - If negative, retest at day 6 or 7, and can return day 8 if negative
- Exposure in the home and positive case is isolating:
 - 10 days without symptoms and no test (monitor for 4 days following)
 - If symptoms begin, get tested immediately - quarantine starts over
 - If positive, 10 day quarantine starts (return day 11)
 - If negative, retest at day 6 or 7, and can return day 8 if negative
 - 7 days symptom free (with a negative PCR / Rapid test on day 6 or 7 - proof of results required; at home test not valid) - they can return to school on day 7 or 8
 - If test is positive, quarantine starts over and the 10 day quarantine begins (student can return symptom free on day 11)

Quarantine (vaccinated - proof required)

- Vaccinated students and staff do not need to quarantine if exposed at school or home as long as they are masked
- If symptoms develop, student or staff should get tested immediately, and begin quarantining; if initial results are negative, they should retest on day 6 or 7. If still negative, they can return day 8. If positive, 10-day quarantine restarts.



Social Distancing:

- Mask-to-mask allows for students and staff to be 4-6 feet apart without being considered a close contact. If under 4 feet, for 15+ minutes, it is considered a close contact and quarantine for unvaccinated students / staff will be required.
- Because our desks are about 5 feet apart, this will allow for less need to quarantine students.

Positive Test - 90 days

- Once a student or staff member tests positive, they will not need to quarantine due to exposure again for 90 days. If your child has tested positive, please send Mrs. Berg the test results from the doctor or pharmacy (at home tests will not be accepted). Mrs. Berg will document, and keep your kid off any close contact list December.

Threshold / Matrix for Closing Classroom or Campus

- Classroom
 - 40% of the students test positive / exposed
 - Teacher tests positive / exposed and no subs are available
- Grade Level
 - 50% of teachers and/or 40% of students test positive / exposed
- Campus -
 - 4 or more teachers are in quarantine or test positive
 - 40% of the campus is in quarantine

Color Coded (over a 7 day period)

could be by classroom, grade level, or campus (rough numbers - all depends on how many in a class, staff shortages, etc.)

- Green
 - No cases
 - No teachers out
- Yellow
 - 1 case (1-2 in whole school)
 - Average 4 (20%) students in a classroom quarantine
 - No teachers out
- Orange (possible closure of classroom or grade level)
 - 3 cases
 - Average 5 (25%) students in classroom quarantine
 - One teacher out



- Red (possible closure of classroom or grade level)
 - 4 cases
 - Average 6 students (30%) students in quarantine
 - 2 teachers out
- Maroon (closure of classroom, grade level, or campus depending on where numbers are)
 - 5-6 cases
 - Average 7 students (35%) students in quarantine
 - 3+ teachers out