

**Shippensburg Area School District
Mask and Quarantine Protocol
Students, Staff, and Visitors**

To begin after January 13, 2022

The wearing of masks will be optional for students, staff, and visitors in all school district buildings and is extended to extracurricular activities and all school events. Masks will not be required, but are highly encouraged.

Students attending Grace B. Luhrs University Elementary School will follow the masking guidelines of Shippensburg University

Districting Masking Thresholds

The SASD Board of School Directors authorizes the Superintendent:

Cumberland or Franklin County is in the substantial or high community spread category	The wearing of masks will be required for 10 calendar days when the number of positive cases in the specific school building reaches the following thresholds within a 14 calendar day window:	
	Luhrs Elementary	5 positive cases in the school
	James Burd Elementary Nancy Grayson Elementary Intermediate School	10 positive cases in the school
	Shippensburg Middle School	20 positive cases in the school
	Shippensburg Senior High	25 positive cases in the school
At the end of the 10 calendar days, if both the community spread and the number of positive cases continue to meet the above thresholds	Then there will be an additional five (5) calendar days of wearing masks at the specific school. The community spread and number of positive cases will be evaluated every five (5) days until the number of cases in the specific school or the community spread is no longer within the above thresholds	
Parents and Guardians will be notified the day before masks are required and will be notified of the masking status throughout the above timeframe.		
Parents and Guardians may request mask exemption by contacting their child’s school or the SASD Special Education Department. Mask exemptions may be granted using the ADA Section 504 Accommodations process.		

The School District will refer to CDC Community Data Tracker to determine the Community Transmission of the COVID-19 Virus (<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#datatracker-home>).

The School District will keep track of the number of positive cases reported to the COVID Coordinator each day. Parents may view the SASD COVID status on the District website (www.shipk12.org).

Isolation Protocol – Positive Cases

<p>All persons testing positive for COVID-19 will stay home (isolate) from school for 5 calendar days and wear a mask for additional 5 calendar days</p> <p>*A test and report from a medical facility may be required.</p>	<p>The testing date or the date of exposure, (if no test) will be used to determine beginning of isolation period.</p>
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Quarantine Protocol – Close Contacts

<p>A person has exposure to COVID-19 and completed the vaccine primary series less than 6 months ago (2 months for J&J vaccine) or has the booster, or *CDC updated guidelines (12/27/21)</p> <p>A person has exposure to COVID-19, was wearing a mask, and does not have symptoms (regardless of vaccine status).</p>	<p>Wear a mask when around others for 10 calendar days from the date of exposure</p> <p>If the close contact is experiencing symptoms, the person will follow the isolation guidelines (above).</p>
<p>A person has exposure to COVID-19 and completed the vaccine primary series over 6 months ago without the booster (2 months for J&J vaccine) or *CDC updated guidelines (12/27/21)</p> <p>is unvaccinated and was not wearing a mask</p>	<p>Stay home for 5 calendar days and wear a mask for an additional 5 calendar days from date of exposure</p> <p>If the close contact is experiencing symptoms, the person will follow the isolation guidelines (above).</p>
<p>Close Contact is defined as “within 6 feet of another person for 15 minutes or greater, masked or unmasked”</p> <p>A student’s vaccine record be on file in the school health office or presented to the School Principal or School Nurse.</p> <p>Parents are asked to report all cases of COVID-19 that effect their child’s attendance at school to their child’s school or the COVID Coordinator who will verify quarantine dates and communicate those dates to the parents/guardians and school staff.</p> <p><u>COVID Coordinator contact: phone at 717-530-2818 or email at covid@ship.k12.pa.us.</u></p>	