



Fairport Harbor Exempted Village School District

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Fairport Harbor Exempted Village School District is committed to the safety and health of our students and staff. On February 19, 2021, we received notification that an individual associated with McKinley Elementary, and an individual associated with Harding MS Jr. High are either positive or presumed positive for Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Ohio students exposed to the coronavirus while following state protocols in classrooms will no longer be required to quarantine. This new rule only applies to cases in the school, not in extracurriculars. Anyone who meets the definition of not following protocols in the classroom and being exposed to the virus will be contacted by the Fairport Harbor Exempted Village School District and/or the Lake County General Health District for contact tracing purposes be ordered to quarantine as a result. We ask that you cooperate with health officials in the contact tracing process for our district and community's health and well-being. The definition of exposure includes the following:

- Within 6 feet of someone who has COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more
- You provided care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19
- You had direct physical contact with the person (kissed or hugged them)
- You shared items such as eating/drinking utensils
- They sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respiratory droplets on you

* The Lake County General Health District now requests that individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 communicate directly with people they may have come in close contact with to notify them of possible exposure. Fairport staff members may also assist with contact tracing. If your child is identified as close contact, they can return after quarantining for 10 days, but continue to monitor their symptoms for 14 days after the exposure.

If anyone contacts you as part of a COVID-19 investigation, please cooperate fully to ensure our entire community's safety and health. If you are not identified as close contact, you are clear to come to school.

We continue to clean and disinfect all areas of our buildings. The safety of our students and staff is our first priority. Do not send your child to school if they display any symptoms of the [CDC COVID-19 website](#) symptoms.

We will continue to follow our local health officials' guidance and communicate positive coronavirus diagnosis when they happen with as much information as permitted. In the future, if your child or anyone residing in the household tests positive for COVID-19, please contact our District Nurse, Heidi Bodi, at 440-354-5400 EXT. 305, or by email hbodi@fhevs.org, as soon as possible. Should you have any further questions or concerns, please contact your building principal.

Regards,

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