

# MSCS

## 2022-2023

### COVID-19 Guidance Updates



# COVID-19 UPDATES



# LATEST COVID-19 UPDATES

## **CDC recommends:**

- ❑ positive cases isolate for a minimum of 5 days after the onset of symptoms and may be released from isolation after they are without fever for 24 hours (without fever-reducing medication) and show improvement in symptoms.
- ❑ wearing a well-fitting mask when around others for ten (10) days following the onset of symptoms or specimen collection regardless of symptoms.



# LATEST COVID-19 UPDATES

## Asymptomatic vs Symptomatic

- ❑ **Asymptomatic** staff or students identified as close contacts with a COVID-positive person are no longer required to quarantine.
  - ❑ These individuals should self-monitor for signs and symptoms ten (10) days following exposure.
  - ❑ If no symptoms develop, CDC recommends getting a COVID test on or after day five (5).
  - ❑ In the event staff or students identified as a close contact with a COVID-positive person becomes **symptomatic**, it is recommended that the individual isolate and test immediately
  - ❑ Individuals who receive a positive test are to follow recommendations for positive cases.



\*\*The Contact tracing team remains available to answer questions and address concerns **Monday-Friday, 8 am-4 pm**. The number for the team is **(901) 416-1730**.



# MASKING UPDATES



## WHAT IS THE DISTRICT'S MASKING RECOMMENDATION FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR?

- ❑ In accordance with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Tennessee Department of Health (TDOH), masking is optional for Memphis-Shelby County Schools students, staff, and visitors (while in District schools and offices) for the 2022-23 school year.

**District families and staff are strongly encouraged to monitor COVID-19 trends in our community and mask, especially when case numbers are high.**

- ❑ Students and staff who test positive for COVID-19 must continue to isolate for a **minimum of five (5) days after the onset of symptoms and may be released from isolation after they are without fever for 24 hours (without fever-reducing medication) and show improvement in symptoms.** Regardless of symptoms, the CDC recommends wearing a well-fitting mask when around others for ten (10) days following the onset of symptoms or specimen collection.

Additionally, any asymptomatic staff or students identified as close contacts with a COVID-positive person are strongly encouraged to mask consistently for ten (10) days.

**Thank You!**

