



Nell Holcomb R-IV School District

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Recently, the Nell Holcomb R-IV School Board voted to implement a plan that gives parents of healthy children, who are in contact with a Covid positive student or teacher, the opportunity to stay in school instead of being quarantined at home. In an effort to keep “healthy” students who are not showing any Covid symptoms at school, Nell HolcombR-IV is offering the following options.

1. Quarantine at home for the 10 calendar day period and receive distance learning assistance from Mrs. Becky Stein and classroom teachers.
2. Wear a mask on the school bus and at school where proper distancing cannot be implemented and be closely monitored at school for the 10 calendar day period. Requirements will include:
 - A. Daily temperature checks by the classroom teacher and/or Nurse Graham
 - B. Grab and go breakfast in the classroom
 - C. Lunch in the classroom
 - D. Masks worn on the school bus. Masks will be optional in the school buildings and in the classroom.

***If a parent of a child in this class can provide proof of a positive Covid test in the last 90 days, they will be exempt from the mask policy**

Students who are quarantined at home by the Cape County Health Department due to a positive case in the home will continue to follow the Cape County Health Department guidelines. Nell Holcomb administration and Nurse Graham will continue to handle all contact tracing for Nell Holcomb students and staff at school.

Please keep in mind that this policy only affects students and classroom teachers that have a positive case in the classroom. Masks are still optional on our school buses and in our buildings for all other students and staff. We hope that we will not have to implement this policy during this school year, but in the event that we do have a positive case at the school, we wanted to be proactive in coming up with a plan that allowed “healthy” students to stay at school. We feel that this policy gives us a chance to get out in front of any future issues and be proactive in our approach. We also feel that this policy gives our parents and students options and is a good compromise to try and keep all students in the classroom while continuing to focus on the safety and welfare of our students and staff.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Deckerd at 573-334-3644.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Mr. Bleau Deckerd: Superintendent
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