

## **COVID Protocol at Bridge – February 2022**

Please Note: These procedures may change based on recommendations from the health department.

### **MASKS**

It is **highly encouraged** that those who have not been fully vaccinated wear a mask that covers their nose and mouth while at school.

### **TEST POSITIVE FOR COVID**

Under the updated guidelines, anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 must:

- Stay at home for 5 days from the day you were tested, even if you don't have symptoms or feel sick. You can leave your house after 5 days if your symptoms have improved (fever-free without medicine for at least 24 hours and your symptoms have improved). You must stay home for at least 5 days.
- Wear a mask around others for the 5 days after your home isolation. This means students can return to school but **MUST** wear a mask for five days. If the individual will not, or does not want to, wear a mask, the individual must isolate the entire 10 days.

### **EXPOSURE TO SOMEONE WITH COVID - QUARANTINE**

- If the student or staff member is fully vaccinated, the individual does not need to quarantine at home. However, the individual should wear a mask, including at school, for 10 days after the exposure.
- If the student or staff member is not fully vaccinated, the individual should stay home from school for at least 5 days from the day the student was exposed. The individual can return to school after 5 days if the individual doesn't have any symptoms. The individual should also wear a mask, including at school, for an additional 5 days.
  - If the student can't stay home from school, the student may attend school but should wear a mask at school during the 10 days after their exposure.

### **STAY HOME WHEN SICK**

Fully vaccinated individuals must stay home when they are ill (fever, cough, intestinal issues, etc. that are not attributable to another disorder). Non-vaccinated individuals must stay home when they have any of the following symptoms: sore throat, fever, cough, headache, or intestinal issues unless a physician has provided a note indicating the symptoms are **NOT** related to COVID (for example allergies, anxiety, etc.).

### **CLEANING and SANITIZING**

All individuals entering Bridge must sanitize their hands upon entry and either wash their hands or sanitize every hour and also sanitize when entering or leaving a classroom or the lunchroom.

Tables, chairs and supplies must be wiped and sanitized after use **BEFORE** another individual may use the item(s).

High touch areas such as door handles and handrails MUST be wiped down and sanitized a minimum of every two hours.

**VOLUNTEERS – VISITORS**

Volunteers or visitors who do not have any COVID symptoms are allowed to visit areas of Bridge Elementary beyond the front office area.