

## LOSD Communication: Case of COVID-19 Date: 11/15/2021

We have been notified that 2 people **Lake Oswego Junior High School** have tested positive for COVID-19. They were last at the school on **11/08-11/10**.

As members of the school community, we understand that this might raise concerns alongside a caring response. We are working closely with Clackamas County Public Health to respond to this news.

We are currently working on a list of the identified close contacts of the positive COVID-19 case. If you have been identified as a close contact, you will be contacted by LOSD and Clackamas County. *A close contact is someone who has been within 6 feet of the person who is infected with Covid-19 for longer than 15 cumulative minutes in 24 hours.*

### **Exemptions from Quarantine:**

1. In the classroom, students 3 feet apart and engaged in consistent and correct use of well-fitting masks. This exemption does not apply to adults. 2. K-12 outdoor setting (e.g. recess, outdoor class), students who were within 6 feet of an infected student where both students were engaged in consistent and correct use of well-fitting masks. This exemption does not apply to exposure during school athletics. This exemption does not apply to adults. 3. Fully vaccinated individuals. 4. Individuals who had a positive COVID-19 test in the past 90 days.

### **If you TEST POSITIVE for COVID-19, you are ISOLATED:**

Isolate at home for **at least** 10 days since the test date (or since symptoms started, whichever is first), and 24 hours fever free, and COVID-19 symptoms are improving.

[OHA How to Isolate](#)

### **If you have been identified as a close contact to someone who tested positive for COVID-19, and you are UNVACCINATED, you are QUARANTINED:**

Quarantine starts from the last day you were exposed to the person who tested positive.

A 14-day quarantine is required in school settings. This may be reduced to 10 days if you remain symptom-free, and continue to monitor for symptoms for 4 more days. Some counties may allow people with no symptoms to test out of quarantine after 7 days. This is not an option for schools in Clackamas County.

Please watch closely for any illness symptoms (even mild symptoms like a runny nose, scratchy throat, headache, or stomachache). Stay home if you have any illness symptoms, contact your healthcare provider, and seek COVID-19 testing.

[OHA How to Quarantine](#)

### **If you have been identified as a close contact to someone who tested positive for COVID-19, and you are FULLY VACCINATED, you do not have to quarantine. If you have had a positive COVID-19 test in the past 90 days you do not have to quarantine.**

Please watch closely for any illness symptoms (even mild symptoms like a runny nose, scratchy throat, headache, or stomachache). Stay home if you have any illness symptoms, contact your healthcare provider, and seek COVID-19 testing.

If you have general COVID-19 questions about LOSD protocols, please go to the School District Website under 'LOSD Covid-19 Information' [Health and Safety Protocols](#). To submit questions or concerns to LOSD about COVID-19 protocols, you may click on [LOSD COVID-19 Questions and Concerns Form](#).

### **For general COVID-19 questions, you may also contact:**

Clackamas County Public Health [COVIDschooliaison@clackamas.us](mailto:COVIDschooliaison@clackamas.us)

### **If you have a specific concern about this case, please contact a school district nurse:**

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