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## **New School Quarantine Protocol October 28, 2021**

The Ohio Department of Public Health recently released new guidance in a school environment. Coshocton City Schools will be following the following protocols:

**Mask to Stay** – students and school staff who have been exposed at school and have not been vaccinated and were not wearing masks and have no symptoms. They can attend school if:

- They wear a mask for 14 days
- They self-monitor for symptoms; if they have any symptoms, they must get tested and stay home
- Additionally, if tested between days 5-7 and if their proctored test comes back negative and they do not have symptoms, they may stop wearing a mask on day 8

**Mask to Play** – students and school staff exposed at school can participate in extracurricular activities – if student or staff are asymptomatic:

- They must get tested as soon as they are notified of exposure: if they get a negative test,
- Must wear a mask for 14 days when able (at school, on bus, in locker rooms, on sidelines, etc.)
- They can test again on days 5-7. If they are negative at this time, they can stop wearing a mask on day 8

***Please note: Eligibility to participate in Mask to Stay/Test to Play is contingent on the exposure being in the school setting or school-related activities. This does not apply to household exposures or exposures outside of the school setting or school-related activities.***

***All testing must be PCR or antigen and must be proctored (cannot be self-proctored).***

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### **Mission Statement**

Coshocton City Schools, in partnership with family and community, will empower individuals to become literate, respectful, responsible, and independent life-long learners in an ever-changing global society.