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Dear Twin Rivers Students, Parents and Families,

Due to the surge in positive COVID-19 cases based on the most recent guidance from public health, we are streamlining our contact tracing efforts to continue keeping our students and staff at school.

Effective immediately, instead of making individual calls, we will expedite our exposure notifications process and email all who share a classroom with a positive case as soon as we learn of an exposure reported at school. This allows school staff to better allocate limited time and resources to perform more concise contact tracing in specific areas where unmasked, indoor exposures may exist.

Under the revised notification process, when a school receives a report of a positive COVID-19 case, the following criteria will apply to the entire class as follows:

- If your child was exposed and is **fully vaccinated (2 COVID-19 vaccine doses) and asymptomatic**, they may stay in school.
- If your child was exposed and is **not fully vaccinated and remains asymptomatic**, they may stay in school, but will need to get tested. Testing is recommended as soon as possible.
- A home test kit may be used to mitigate the potential for further spread.

As a reminder if your child is experiencing symptoms of illness and/or if they test positive for COVID-19, please keep them home from school, contact your school and follow isolation guidance.

- Students who are symptomatic at school will be isolated and sent home.
- Please note that for those that test positive, isolation can now end after Day 5 if symptoms are not present or are resolving and test negative on Day 5 or later.

Testing Options for Students LINK

- TRUSD COVID Clinic Testing
 - Note: COVID Clinics have been experiencing staffing shortages. Clinic closure will be posted online
- Home tests
- Community test sites
- Medical provider tests

We thank everyone who continues to do their part to reduce the further spread of COVID-19 by adhering to mitigation strategies of mask wearing, hand washing, distancing, getting vaccinated, testing your children before sending them to school, and staying home if sick or symptomatic. Schools will continue to welcome and accept a student's proof of vaccination, and parents may email a copy of their child's proof of vaccination or bring a copy of it to the school's front office staff. We hope to return to a less restrictive environment soon and expect to have additional updates by the end of the week on important public health topics.

Thank you for your support and cooperation keeping our schools safe for all.

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