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TO: All Saginaw Public Schools Employees

FROM: Tiffany Pruitt, Executive Director of Human Resources & Labor Relations

RE: 2022- 2023 SPSD COVID -19 Protocols & Procedures

DATE: October 24, 2022

Dear SPSD Employees:

Below you will find important updated changes to the Saginaw Public Schools (SPSD) COVID-19 Protocols and Procedures/Guidelines to follow when exposed to or testing positive for COVID-19. **The information provided are based on the new recommendations from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Saginaw County Health Department (SCHD).**

All staff and students are required to abide by the Saginaw Public Schools COVID-19 guidelines and procedures. Students who also attend school districts outside of Saginaw Public Schools, must adhere to the SPSD guidelines.

SPSD Students & Staff COVID-19 Protocols

- Masks are optional for all staff and students
- Daily Disinfection Classroom Fogging – **All staff and students must vacate buildings by 5:00 p.m. as a safety precaution while fogging takes place. Those participating in sporting activities and other approved after- school activities will be allowed to be in buildings beyond 5:00 p.m., but should stay in the assigned areas of the activities. Those areas will be disinfected after all staff, students, and guests have vacated the premises.**
- Desks will be 3 Feet Apart (**Optional**)
- Sanitizing Stations Located in Several Places Through Out Each Building
- Touchless Water Fountains Located Throughout Each Building
- Air Purifiers Located Throughout Each Building
- Students/Staff will be Monitored for Fevers as They Enter Building
- Students Testing Positive Required to Quarantine for 5 Days from Date of Test
- Students/Staff are to stay home if they do not feel well
- CDC and SCHD Recommendations will be Followed

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EXPOSURE & TESTING POSITIVE for COVID-19

Please note:

- *Based on information provided by the Saginaw County Health Department, only known positive cases that occurred within 48 hours of a staff or student being in a building are required to be reported to the health department. The District only has to notify parents and staff if there is an outbreak (three or more cases) in the same area of a school or building. Those exposed by a positive individual do not have to quarantine, but should monitor symptoms.*

Isolation Guidance

Exposed to Covid-19	Tested Positive for COVID-19: Isolation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can report to work or school, but recommended to wear a mask around others for 10 days. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you test positive of COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status, stay home for 5 days.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test on day 5, if possible to make sure you do not have COVID-19. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your house/report to work or school.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommended to continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves. • Staff must notify their immediate supervisor and HR when testing positive for COVID-19 (You must do both). • Students and Parents must notify the building principal of positive test results immediately. SPSD Buildings principals must notify the district’s nurses and follow all positive case reporting guidelines.

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As a reminder, staff and students experiencing one or more of the following symptoms should not report to work or school.

- Fever
- Cough
- Difficult breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle aches
- Diarrhea
- Sore throat
- Nausea
- Loss of sense of smell or taste
- Any newly developed respiratory symptoms

The School District will follow all health and safety guidelines, protocols, and procedures as relates to responding to COVID-19 in efforts to keep all stakeholders safe as possible.

Please keep in mind that this is an unprecedented situation for Saginaw Public Schools and we are working diligently to respond appropriately. In addition, the situation remains fluid with information changing very rapidly. Therefore, as additional information is obtained relative to COVID-19, we will be sure to provide an update.

Below you will find The Saginaw County Health Department's Covid-19 Information for Schools and Childcare Facilities and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Quarantine and Isolation information. You may access information at:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html>

<https://saginawpublichealth.org/coronavirus/information-for-schools/> (Please Note: Information is fluid and subject to updates).

If you have any specific questions, please feel free to reach out to the Human Resources Department at (989) 399-6602.

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