

August 23, 2021

Dear Mayfield City Schools Teachers, Staff, Parents and Community,

As we enter the second full school year in a pandemic, Mayfield Clty School leaders continue to daily review COVID-19 data as it relates to our four communities - Mayfield Heights, Mayfield Village, Gates Mills and Highland Heights. Each day, district officials examine and discuss COVID-19 case data from local health experts and zip code case data (44124, 44143, 44040) to drive our decisions, along with case counts reported on the Mayfield City Schools COVID-19 dashboard and daily attendance across the district and at our schools.

On August 17, 2021, Mayfield City Schools made the decision to require masks for all students and staff in grades Pre-K-5. On August 20, 2021 the decision to mask all students and staff grades 6 through 12. Wearing a face mask may greatly reduce the risk of students, teachers and staff having to quarantine if a COVID-19 positive case/s are reported in any of our Mayfield schools.

Per the Ohio Department of Health, the district will continue to notify parents, teachers and staff of positive COVID-19 cases as they are reported. Today, the district was notified of 5 positive COVID-19 cases involving 1 student and 1 staff member from Mayfield Middle School, 1 student at Mayfield High School, and 2 Lander Elementary students. In accordance with the established protocols set forth by the CCBH, the students and staff member will remain at home for 10 days and may return to school / school activities, if symptom free without the use of medication. If close contacts were identified, they have been contact traced and notified. Those close contacts will not return to school, work or activities until their quarantine period expires and they are symptom free without the use of medications.

**K-12 School Quarantine Guidelines:** Please note, the Ohio Department of Health issued revised K-12 School Quarantine Guidelines (Link below August 5, 2021):

Ohio Department of Health Guidelines for Quarantine After Exposure in K 12 Classroom Settings

The Mayfield City School District COVID-19 Data Dashboard contains all COVID-19 information that has been reported to the district. The data is updated daily Monday through Friday and can be found at the link <a href="COVID-19">COVID-19 Data Dashboard</a>

For additional information, visit coronavirus.ohio.gov.

For answers to your COVID-19 questions, call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).