

CYPRESS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your student has been identified as a close contact of a positive COVID case we have had at our school. This does not affect anyone else in your household, as they are not close contacts to the positive case and therefore this only applies to the student.

Per IDPH recommendations, you have three options in order for your student to return to school:

1. Stay home for 10-14 days. If you and your student work closely with the health department, answer their phone calls, fill out the daily survey, and remain asymptomatic, they will be released after day 10. If you are unable to meet these requirements, they will be released after day 14. While quarantining, students may not attend school or extra curricular activities.
2. Get COVID tested on day 7 after exposure, and submit a negative result to the health department and Cypress Elementary School, and your student will be released from quarantine on day 8.
3. Utilize Cypress Elementary School's test to stay option. The school will administer a rapid COVID test, and test your student on days 1, 3, 5, and 7 after exposure, and as long as the test is negative, your student may stay in school the entire time. Please see attached paperwork with more information about this option and a consent for testing.

If you choose to quarantine during this time, your student will be considered temporarily remote. The teachers will be made aware of their extended absence, and we will work closely to ensure your student is informed and kept caught up with their classes. Your student will be required to check in with their teachers daily and students in grades 6 - 8 will be required to attend classes remotely.

If for some reason, your student has previously tested for COVID, or received the vaccine, this may affect the mandatory quarantine. Please reach out to us for further guidance.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the District office.

Kimberly Shoemaker
Superintendent