The VCSC will continue to monitor and update the district’s health and safety guidelines per guidance from the VCHD, IDOH, and CDC.

**Masks**

The IDOH has advised that masking students and staff may be optional at this time. Students and staff may decide whether to wear masks on school grounds, and it is no longer a requirement to do so.

Per CDC guidance, masks are no longer required for all students, staff and drivers on school buses at this time.

**Health Screening and Testing**

Students and staff should continue to self assess and monitor for symptoms prior to attending school. Those who are experiencing COVID-like symptoms will need to stay home and not attend school or participate in school-related activities until symptoms are resolved.

Testing is still encouraged for those experiencing symptoms.

**Positive Cases and Isolation**

The CDC and IDOH guidance for K-12 settings has not changed. Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 should continue to isolate for at least 5 days from symptom onset. ([See CDC/IDOH Isolation Guidance](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html#school))

**Contact Tracing and Quarantine**

The CDC and IDOH no longer recommend identifying or quarantining close contacts regardless of vaccination status in the school setting.

**COVID-19 Resources**

- [Updated CDC K-12 Guidance](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/k-12-guidance/index.html)
- [IDOH Quarantine and Isolation Guidance](https://www.idaho.gov/health/quarantine/)
- [Parent Screening Tool](https://forms-gov.info/R1p8Nk)