

Humphrey Public Schools

Updated 2022-2023 Illness Plan (08-10-2023)

Humphrey Public School is updating our Illness Plan to bring some clarity for parents and students dealing with COVID, influenza, RSV, strep throat, and any other illness. After much discussion with the health district, health professionals and administrators throughout ESU #7, Humphrey Public remains committed to our three goals including; keeping our students/staff healthy & safe, continuing with in-person learning and keeping students active in school activities. In an attempt to help everyone stay healthy, if your child is experiencing any flu type or COVID symptoms or tests positive for COVID, please keep them home and communicate with the school. Masks are available at school for any students that choose to wear one. If you have any questions about the updated plan, please call us at 402-923-1230.

In the event there is a positive case:

- The student will need to isolate at home for five (5) days. On day six (6) they can return to school, but will be required to wear a mask through day ten (10). These time periods follow the CDC and our local health department guidelines.
- If the student who tests positive has siblings, those siblings are able to attend school, with masks recommended. If the sibling begins to show symptoms, we will require the student to go home.
- If a student who was exposed to COVID at an event outside of school, the student would be able to attend school, with masks recommended. If the student begins to show symptoms, we will require the student to go home.
- Please note that if there are any changes to our protocols, it will be communicated to you.

If there are multiple positive cases in a classroom or grade, the administration would discuss options that could include:

- Enacting a mask mandate for a period of time,
- Social distancing measures
- Closing school to disinfect and clean
- Administration will monitor the situation for a period of time, as recommended by health care professionals. Please remember that every situation is different and decisions will be made by administration on a case by case basis based on available information.

What to do if I need to Zoom into my class?

- We have the “technology” to allow students the opportunity to zoom into classrooms to access their education from home.
- Have your parent(s) contact the school office to let them know you will be absent.
- Communicate with your teacher(s) via email.
- Request that a Zoom link be sent to you.
- Materials needed to be sent home (i.e. books), email Mr. Rathje or Mr. Kirby.