



Madeira City Schools Updated Quarantine Guidance

[Updated Quarantine Guidelines for Schools – 12/30/20](#)

Madeira City Schools has recently received updated guidelines from Governor Mike DeWine and the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) regarding close contact tracing as a result of evidence of low in-school transmission.

Our district will follow the guidelines beginning Monday, January 4, which now states the following:

- If a student or staff member is exposed in a traditional classroom setting to someone with COVID-19, the individual does not need to quarantine as long as masking and other safety and health protocols were followed.
- If a student or staff member is exposed in a traditional classroom and safety protocols have not been followed (e.g., students or adults in the classroom did not properly wear masks), the individual must quarantine and follow the new CDC guidelines for quarantining.
- If a student or staff member is exposed to COVID-19 outside the traditional classroom setting (at lunch, sports practice, etc), the individual must quarantine and follow the new CDC/ODH guidelines for quarantining. The revised guidelines above only apply in traditional classroom settings.
- If a student or staff member is exposed to COVID-19 outside of school (ie. at home or in the community) the individual must quarantine and follow the new CDC guidelines for quarantining.
- If a student or staff member must stay at home and quarantine, they will follow the [New CDC / ODH Guidelines for Quarantining – 12/3/20.](#)

How New Quarantine Guidelines Impact Our Process

In all cases of potential exposure, Madeira City Schools will continue to consult with Hamilton County Public Health (HCPH) for guidance. The district will also continue to conduct contact tracing and notify anyone who is determined to be a close contact and whether they will need to quarantine or can continue to come to school and work.

We will continue to follow the same protocols for notification of confirmed cases and close contacts who must quarantine. The only change will be close contacts who do not need to quarantine will be notified via email only and not by phone. Those who must quarantine will receive an email and a phone call.