

# Colfax-Mingo

## Community Schools

Jan 10, 2022



Tigerhawk Family -

We received notice today that Jasper County Public Health has adjusted their isolation guidelines for people that are positive for COVID. Colfax-Mingo School employees are bound to follow these health guidelines and no staff member makes these decisions independently. Updated guidelines are below. In short, the isolation period has changed from 10 days to 5, assuming symptoms are improving and you are fever-free for 24 hours. If you return to school days 6-10, JCPH strongly recommends you wear a mask. We will begin following these protocols with students and staff today.

### Calculating Isolation

Day 0 is your first day of symptoms or a positive viral test. **Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed or your test specimen was collected.** If you have COVID-19 or have symptoms, isolate for at least 5 days.

**IF YOU Tested positive for COVID-19 or have symptoms, regardless of vaccination status**

**Stay home for at least 5 days**  
Stay home for 5 days and [isolate](#) from others in your home.  
  
Wear a well-fitted mask if you must be around others in your home.

**Ending isolation if you had symptoms**  
[End isolation after 5 full days](#) if you are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and your symptoms are improving.

**Ending isolation if you did NOT have symptoms**  
[End isolation after at least 5 full days](#) after your positive test.

**If you were severely ill with COVID-19**  
You should isolate for at least 10 days. [Consult your doctor before ending isolation.](#)

**Take precautions until day 10**

**Wear a mask**  
Wear a well-fitted mask for 10 full days any time you are around others inside your home or in public. Do not go to places where you are unable to wear a mask.

**Avoid travel**

**Avoid being around people who are at high risk**

Additionally, given a recent increase in the number of COVID positive cases in our area, I will again be sharing a weekly data update posted on our website. Let me know if you have any questions.

Take care and be safe.

Erik Anderson

*Colfax-Mingo Community School District's mission is to ensure a community that fosters life-long learners, independent thinkers, and productive citizens of character!*