



November 20, 2020

Dear West York High School Families and Students:

This communication is being sent to High School families.

On Friday, November 20, 2020, after a careful review of the number of positive cases and those in quarantine at the High School, the Administration has made the decision to continue the A (Monday)/B (Tuesday) schedule for High School students next week. Cohort A should report on Monday, and Cohort B should report on Tuesday. Thanksgiving break begins on Wednesday of next week, so it will be a two-day school week.

All High School students should plan to report to school on Tuesday, December 1, 2020, to begin the four-day in-person schedule. We will continue to monitor our District and building-specific numbers to determine if any modifications need to be made.

We cannot stress enough how important it is for our students to quarantine and to do so properly. We greatly appreciate those families who have reached out to share helpful information with us.

An Important Note About What Quarantine Means

The [Centers for Disease Control](#) (CDC) defines quarantine as:

Quarantine is used to keep someone *who might have been exposed to COVID-19* away from others. Quarantine helps prevent the spread of disease that can occur before a person knows they are sick or if they are infected with the virus without feeling symptoms. People in quarantine should stay home, separate themselves from others, monitor their health, and follow directions from their state or local health department.

For those who are quarantined, please understand that this means:

- No trips outside the home
- Separation from others, even in the home, to the extent possible
- No participation in sports or other activities - period.
- Following mitigation practices (masks, handwashing, etc) at all times
- Monitoring your health/health of children for symptoms as outlined below

Possible COVID-19 Symptoms

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Fever of 100 or Higher● Cough● Shortness of Breath● Difficulty Breathing● New Loss of Taste or Smell● Sore Throat | <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Runny Nose/Congestion● Chills● Muscle Pains● Nausea and/or Vomiting● Headache● Diarrhea |
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Please contact your building school nurse immediately if you, your child(ren), or anyone in your household are showing any symptoms (noted above) of COVID-19, or have been tested for the virus.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's school nurse. Contact information for school nurses can be found in the [family packet](#).

Your confidence in the District is appreciated, and we will continue to communicate updates on this and all COVID-19-related situations as appropriate.

Sincerely,

Todd M. Davies
Superintendent of Schools