



## Gardner Elementary School

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January 28th, 2022

Greetings Gladiator Families-

I hope this message finds all of you well and remaining safe! As we get ready to return to face to face instruction on Monday January 31st, 2022, I wanted to take a moment to share some important reminders and new information related to our return.

- School starts at 8:30am and dismisses at 3:40 (please refrain from picking your child/ren up early from school unless it is an emergency)
- It is extremely important that all loaner laptops and chargers be returned to your child's teacher immediately on 1/31/22. We need these devices back in the classrooms to help the day to day operations run smoothly in school.
- We are still requiring masks for every student, staff, and visitors. We will continue to conduct temperature checks, ask COVID questions, and sanitize the of hands of ALL students and visitors before entering the building.
- Most importantly, if your child is feeling sick or saying they don't feel well, please keep them home.
- KN95 masks will be given to ALL students and staff on Monday of each week. I recommend that students do NOT take that mask home as they will NOT be given another KN95 mask until the following Monday. Instead, they will be provided with another mask to use while in the building.

### **Weekly COVID testing**

Every Thursday your child will take part in our weekly COVID testing. This is a quick, painless, and easy way to detect if your child is COVID positive. You will get the results sent to you in an email and a text within 1-2 days. You can watch this quick Youtube video to see how easy the test is.

<https://tinyurl.com/2p6x8anr> these weekly tests have helped tremendously in identifying students who are COVID positive while not showing any symptoms. **Isolation for COVID positive individuals is now 5 days. Quarantine for Close Contacts is now 5 days**

### **Who is exempt from quarantine?**

- Anyone 18+ who has received the primary dosage (1 shot of J&J; 2 shots for Pfizer and Moderna) and their booster
- Anyone under 18 who has received the primary dosage (both shots)
- Anyone who tested positive for COVID in the last 90 days

**All other individuals are required to quarantine, if identified as a close contact**

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### Returning after testing positive for COVID

- Students may return on day 6 with a negative COVID result or a doctor's clearance. Without a test, they may return on day 11.
- After initial clearance to return students are exempt for PCR weekly testing for 90 days and should not test as they may continue to test positive for up to 90 days.

As always if you have any questions please feel free to contact the main office at the number above. Please have a nice weekend, stay safe and warm, and we will see you bright and early in person on Monday January 31st, 2022.

Educationally,

**Shannon Cummings**

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