

Homer Plessy Community Schools- Ready to Achieve! 2022-2023

Homer Plessy Community Works adheres to Louisiana Department of Health guidelines surrounding returning to in person learning and Covid policies.

Homer Plessy Community School Website has more information about when to keep your sick child home.

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ALL COVID-19 COMMUNITY LEVELS

- Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms, regardless of vaccination status, should be tested for COVID-19.
- If a rapid antigen test is negative, a symptomatic person should seek confirmatory PCR testing.
 - > If confirmatory testing is negative, they can return to school as long as they meet return-to-school requirements (e.g., 24 hours fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medication).
 - > If confirmatory testing is positive, the symptomatic person has COVID-19 and should complete at-home isolation.
- Anyone who tests positive by viral test (antigen or PCR) for COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status, should complete at-home isolation.
- Anyone who is identified as a close contact to a COVID-19 case should follow the appropriate masking and quarantine guidance.
- Plessy teaches and reinforces proper handwashing to lower the risk of spreading viruses. Hand hygiene should be monitored and reinforced during key times in the day (e.g., before and after eating and after recess).
- Plessy teaches and reinforce covering coughs and sneezes to help keep individuals from getting and spreading infectious diseases.
- Plessy cleans surfaces at least once a day to reduce the risk of germs spreading by touching surfaces. If a facility has had a sick person or someone who tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 24 hours, the space should be cleaned and disinfected.



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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MASKING RECOMMENDATIONS

Wearing a well-fitted mask consistently and correctly reduces the risk of spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. Universal indoor mask use is recommended at a high COVID-19 Community Level and when experiencing a COVID-19 outbreak. People at risk for getting very sick with COVID-19 should also wear masks or respirators that provide greater protection, such as N95s or KN95s. At a medium COVID-19 Community Level, people who are immunocompromised or at risk for getting very sick with COVID-19 should talk to their healthcare provider about the need to wear a mask. Anyone who chooses to wear a mask should be supported in their decision to do so at any COVID-19 Community Level, including low.

HIGH-RISK ACTIVITIES

Due to increased and forceful exhalation that occurs during physical activity, some sports can put players, coaches, trainers, and others at increased risk for getting and spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. Close contact sports and indoor sports are particularly risky. Similar risks may exist for other extracurricular activities, such as band, choir, theater, and other school clubs that meet indoors and entail increased exhalation. Plessy may consider temporarily stopping these activities to control a school or program associated outbreak during periods of high COVID-19 Community Level.