

COVID CASES 01-5-2022

Parents,

PLEASE keep your child home if they are not feeling well. If they have **any** symptoms of illness, keep them home. COVID symptoms is a long list. In other words, every symptom can be as sign of COVID. COVID cases are increasing in school, just like they are in the community. If you keep them home, exposure to other students is less. Currently we have many students who are on quarantine. If we keep children with symptoms home, we can lower our quarantine numbers and keep our children in school.

In addition:

Dear Elmwood Community,

The health and safety of our students and staff is our highest priority this school year. According to Governor DeWine's orders, we must notify the community within 24 hours if we have a student(s) or staff member(s) test positive for COVID-19. We were notified that a **student(s)/staff member(s)** at **Elmwood Local Schools** tested positive for COVID-19. We want to assure you that we are working closely with Wood County Public Health Department on the case investigation and identifying anyone in the school who was exposed while this/these **student/staff member** was infectious.

We need your help

Here is what you can do at home to help keep your student and yourself healthy.

- Help them wash their hands often.
- Help them avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Remind them to stay 6 feet apart from other people outside of their household.
- Remind/encourage those who are able to do so safely to cover their mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when they are around others.
- Teach them to clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily.
- Wear Masks as your family sees appropriate (Required on our school buses/van)

Keep your student home if ill.

It is important for you to keep your student home when they are not feeling well. If you have any questions on whether your student should come to school, the best decision would be to keep them home and contact your health care provider to discuss your concerns. We especially want you to keep your student home from school if they are experiencing one or more symptoms, if they have been in contact with anyone diagnosed with COVID-19, or if your student has been diagnosed with COVID-19.

If you have questions or concerns please feel free to contact our **District Nurse at 419.655.2583 ext. 333** or nurse@elmls.net.

Thank you,
Tony Borton, Superintendent
Elmwood Local Schools