

Dear Ashwaubenon Staff, Parents, and Families,

At the school board meeting last night, the board approved moving slowly forward with bringing our students back into an in-person model starting on Monday November 30th. As you know, the board previously extended our remote learning through Sunday, November 29th. You will find below the two models that will be implemented for the month of December. Model #1 will be implemented for the two weeks of November 30th through Friday, December 11th. For the week of Monday, December 14th through Friday, December 18th, the board approved Model #2. Monday, December 21st and Tuesday, December 22nd will be remote learning days.

**Model#1**

***Elementary and Secondary (All 4k-12 students):***

Students in grades 4k-5 will attend one day a week on either Tuesday (Yellow cohort) and Thursday (Green cohort). The Green Cohort will include students' last names from A-Lemke, and the Yellow cohort will include last names from Lemmens-Z. Students in families who have different last names will be placed in the same cohort group. There may be slight modifications to this in an attempt to keep class sizes similar between the Green and Yellow cohorts. The Green cohort will have in person instruction on Thursday with remote learning on Monday, Tuesday, and Fridays. The Yellow cohort will have in person instruction on Tuesdays with remote learning on Monday, Thursday, and Friday. Students in grades 6-12 will also attend one day a week in person on either Tuesday (Yellow cohort) and Thursday (Green cohort). Small group and individual learning needs will continue to be a priority on Wednesdays along with teacher planning and collaboration.

11/30/2020	12/1/2020	12/2/2020	12/3/2020	12/4/2020
Green- remote	Yellow-in person	4k-12 students remote	Green-in person	Yellow- remote
Yellow - remote	Green - remote		Yellow - remote	Green - remote
12/7/2020	12/8/2020	12/9/2020	12/10/2020	12/11/2020
Green- remote	Yellow-in person	4k-12 students remote	Green-in person	Yellow- remote
Yellow - remote	Green - remote		Yellow - remote	Green - remote

**Model #2:**

***Elementary and Secondary (All 4k-12 students):***

Students in grades 4k-12 will attend every other day except Wednesdays, alternating between a Green Cohort and a Yellow Cohort. The Green Cohort will have in person instruction on Mondays and Thursdays with remote learning on Tuesdays and Fridays. The Yellow Cohort will have in person instruction on Tuesdays and Fridays with remote learning on Mondays and

Thursdays. Small group and individual learning needs will continue to be a priority on Wednesdays along with teacher planning and collaboration.

12/14/2020	12/15/2020	12/16/2020	12/17/2020	12/18/2020
Green-in person	Yellow-in person	4k-12 students remote	Green-in person	Yellow-in person
Yellow - remote	Green - remote		Yellow - remote	Green - remote

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The school board also approved last night to move forward slowly with the Winter Athletic Season at Ashwaubenon High School.

Practices for Girls Basketball and Boys and Girls Hockey will begin on November 16th and Boys Basketball, Wrestling and Boys Swim on November 23 (as per WIAA and our co-op in Hockey with Ashwaubenon-Boys Hockey and Green Bay area schools-Girls Hockey). At this point, schedules are being updated and tweaked based on the teams opting to play. The Dance season was pushed into January. All practices are optional for students for the first two weeks until we begin in-person learning the week of November 30th.

Finally, at the board meeting last night a discussion took place regarding the time frame an individual must quarantine for due to Covid. Inaccurate information was communicated, and we want to clarify the guidelines for you.

The quarantine time frame is different based upon various scenarios. Please see the attached quarantine guidelines presented by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services and adhered to by the Brown County Health & Human Services departments. These are the guidelines the Ashwaubenon School District follows when determining the quarantine time frame.

**Not a Known Close Contact to a Positive Covid Case -**

If you are experiencing symptoms and have not had close contact with a positive covid case, here are some bullet points you need to be aware of;

- If you are experiencing **ONE** of the symptoms which are NEW OR UNUSUAL to you (cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing or new loss of taste or smell), these symptoms are considered consistent with Covid. You are not allowed into the building and should get tested.
- If you are experiencing **TWO** of the symptoms which are NEW OR UNUSUAL to you (congestion or runny nose, fever or chills, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, headache,

fatigue, muscle of body aches or sore throat), these symptoms are considered consistent with Covid. You are not allowed into the building and should get tested.

- If you test negative for Covid and not a close contact, you are able to return to the building if you have been fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- If you test positive for Covid, you must isolate for 10 days since the first symptoms began. You are able to return to the building after isolation if you have been fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and symptoms have improved.

### **Close Contact to a Positive Covid Case -**

If you have been identified as a close contact to a positive covid case, here are some bullet points you need to be aware of;

- You must quarantine for 14 days from the date of last exposure.
- Your quarantine time frame may change if you test positive during these 14 days.
- You will not get out of quarantine any earlier if you test negative.
- If you are **NOT** experiencing any symptoms (asymptomatic), the BCHD is now strongly recommending that you get tested. This is a recent change. Testing is encouraged between 5-6 days from the date of last exposure, as the virus is thought to be more detectable during this time frame.
- If you are experiencing symptoms, you can get tested immediately.

Final thoughts that the school nurses, Mary Jo Beining and Lori Cavil, want to pass along to you.

- Quarantine means quarantine. It means you stay at home, away from other people.
- Close contact is considered 6 feet or closer for 15 minutes or more during the course of a day, masked or unmasked. Please stay more than 6 feet apart from one other. Please do not ride in cars together, sit around a laptop together, stand close to one another. That 6 feet distance is so important.
- If someone in your household is testing due to symptoms, you are NOT allowed into the building.
- If someone in your household is considered a close contact, you do not have to quarantine. Only if they start to have symptoms, test due to symptoms, or are positive, then you must quarantine.
- Please notify Jody Smits, Human Resources Coordinator for all staff related covid concerns, including close contact, symptoms, and testing.
- The District will work with you to determine your return date.

Thank you,  
The Ashwaubenon School District