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Clayton County Schools Share Guidelines for Quarantines & School Closures

District Encourages Stakeholders to Get Vaccinated & Slow the COVID-19 Spread

JONESBORO- The Clayton County Public School System is committed to providing accurate and transparent information regarding COVID-19 as it affects our schools while also maintaining privacy and confidentiality for our students and staff. To this end, please see the following factors relative to the district's decision making process for individual quarantines, classroom/partial facility closures and full school/facility closures. Please be advised that Clayton County Public Schools continues to implement mitigation measures such as social distancing, temperature checks, mask wearing, building and surface sanitizations, contact tracing and others as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), and local as well as state health organizations.

Individual Quarantine: In accordance with the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the individual (student and/or staff) with the positive COVID-19 result will isolate and all individuals three feet or less of the positive case will quarantine. This also applies to individuals on school buses.

Classroom & Partial Facility Closures: The decision to close a classroom or a portion of a school/facility is based on the positive case count within the classroom/facility and the impact of the spread. This decision will be made following the consultation of the local epidemiologist.

Full School/Facility Closure: The decision to close an entire school or facility is based on the positive case count within the school/facility, the significance of the spread and its impact on the school/facility to maintain day to day operations. This decision will be made following the consultation of the local epidemiologist.

Clayton County Public Schools is committed to providing a safe working and learning environment for all staff and students. Superintendent Beasley asks for everyone's understanding, support, and continued confidence as we make very difficult and impactful decisions. He is sincerely encouraging all eligible persons to get vaccinated. To reduce the spread of COVID-19 within our schools and the Clayton Community, we need the help of all stakeholders! The current vaccination rate in Clayton County is 33% of the county's population. We ask all stakeholders to consider getting vaccinated in an effort to flatten the curve and support healthy living and learning environments for the citizens of Clayton. We want to have school with minimal disruption to instruction.

<u>Clayton Calling the Shots Vaccination Campaign | Mass Vaccination Drives</u>

Clayton Calling the Shots is an informational initiative by Clayton County Public Schools designed to increase vaccination awareness across the county for eligible students, staff and stakeholders! As part of this initiative, the district, in conjunction with Clayton County Health District will host a mass vaccination drive on Saturday, August 21, 2021 at Tara Stadium (1055 Battle Creek Road in Jonesboro, Georgia) for all stakeholders. Additional school-based vaccination options for students will be announced as details are finalized.

About Clayton County Public Schools

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited through Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 50,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the fifth-largest school system in Georgia.

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