



## **Notification Letter to Parents/Guardians of Students Exposed to COVID-19 in School**

Date: 2/2/2022

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Evergreen Union School District **considers** the health and well-being of our students and staff a priority. We have been alerted that your child may have been exposed to an individual who has tested positive with COVID-19 while at school. We are following public health recommendations to ensure that the person with COVID-19 follows instructions for isolation and remains away from others until they can safely return to school.

What does this mean for you and your child?

- **Your child may remain in school unless they develop symptoms or test positive for COVID-19.** Being exposed to somebody with COVID-19 does not necessarily mean that your child will become infected. In fact, scientific research, and experience from around the country – including from California during this school year – demonstrate that schools remain among the safest places for children to be.
- If your child remains asymptomatic, it is recommended to get tested for COVID-19 between days 3 and 5 after the last date of exposure. **The date(s) of exposure were 1/28/2022, 1/31/2022 and 2/1/2022** You may pick up a home test at your school's office or by [clicking here to find a testing site near you](#). Over-the-counter (at-home) tests may also be used.
- **If your child develops [symptoms of COVID-19](#) or tests positive for COVID-19, please ensure they [isolate](#) at home immediately and notify us right away at (530) 347-3411.** When you notify us, we can take additional steps to keep our school community safe.

- **Your child must continue to wear a mask** indoors in the school and community per school, local, and state requirements. Follow school policies to protect against COVID-19. [High-quality masks](#) with the best fit and filtration will provide the best protection for your child and the school community.
- **If you haven't done so yet, you may consider having your child vaccinated against COVID-19.** If your child is 12 years of age or older, a booster dose is recommended five months after the second dose. Vaccinations against COVID-19 remain the best way to protect against the spread of this virus and against severe disease. [Make an appointment to get vaccinated](#) or contact your child's doctor or healthcare provider to learn more.

We will continue to provide you with regular updates as needed. Note that infections diagnosed in students and school staff are not necessarily the result of exposure at school when safety protocols are followed at school, and COVID-19 transmission remains much more likely to occur outside of school settings.

We encourage you to contact us with questions and concerns. Please call us at (530) 347-3411 , email us, or visit our [website](#) for updates. You may also contact the California Department of Public Health website for [managing confirmed or suspected COVID-19 among students in K-12 settings](#).

Please be assured that we are committed to facilitating an optimal learning experience ensuring the safety of our students and staff.

Sincerely,

Brad Mendenhall  
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Evergreen Union School District