

August 3, 2021

Dear Nebo District Families:

We have now received guidelines from state and local health officials regarding COVID-19 protocols in Utah. A summary of how those guidelines will affect Nebo District is outlined below (see [www.nebo.edu/coronavirus](http://www.nebo.edu/coronavirus) for the full guidelines and other COVID-19 information). We hope this information helps as you make decisions and plans that are best for your own family. We are confident that we can work together to accomplish our goal:

**“Every child, in-person learning, at the school, every day”**

**Summary of COVID-19 Protocols for Nebo District**

- **COVID-19 vaccination** – Vaccination is **not a requirement** to enroll in school or join an extracurricular team. *Parents should talk to their health care provider when making decisions about vaccinating eligible students (currently those 12 and older).*
- **Face masks** – Face masks are **not mandatory**. *Families will need to make individual decisions about when and where to have students wear face masks.* Please know that most health officials encourage wearing face masks to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- **COVID-19 testing** – Testing will **not be required** in most circumstances, including for extracurricular activities. According to state law, testing will only be required *if a school has more than 30 positive COVID-19 cases*. If this happens, students must be tested to remain at the school for their learning and extracurricular activities – unless they have been immunized or have had a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the previous 90 days.
- **Feel sick, stay home** – Students who have COVID-like symptoms should stay home from school. Having symptomatic individuals stay home will significantly reduce the possibility of having to implement “test-to-stay.” *Additionally, anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 will not be permitted at school or any school activities during their isolation period.*
- **Quarantine** – Specific quarantine protocol recommendations are outlined in the guidelines from the state. In summary, students will receive a quarantine notice if they spent more than 15 minutes in the same indoor classroom as someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. The notice will recommend that these exposed students remain at home for up to 10 days, unless they:
  - are immunized, **or**
  - have had a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 90 days, **or**
  - choose to wear a face mask at school for 10 days after the exposure.
- **Remote Learning** – Students who are exposed to COVID-19 and choose to remain at home during their quarantine period will be moved to “Remote Learning,” under the direction of their regular classroom teacher(s), for up to 10 days. Students who test positive for COVID-19 will also be moved to “Remote Learning.”
- **Sanitation and hygiene** – Schools will continue to implement best practices with cleaning, physical distancing, and other actions designed to minimize the spread of COVID-19.
- **COVID-19 Case Counts** – Nebo District will post COVID-19 case count numbers on our website regularly during the week so that parents have information for their student’s school.
- **Be SMART**
  - Stay home when sick or when waiting for COVID-19 test results
  - Masks are a personal choice, but may prevent sickness and quarantine
  - Advocate for distancing when possible
  - Remember good hygiene and sanitation
  - Talk to your health care provider about vaccinating eligible students

We will continue to work with our local health officials to monitor COVID-19 case counts in Nebo District and will keep you informed of any adjustments to these guidelines.