

Carlisle Local Schools

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Dear Carlisle Parents and Students,

Please read this important information regarding the upcoming Pilot Program and the upcoming changes to the quarantine guidelines that Carlisle Local Schools will be participating in with a number of other area schools. We are excited that these changes will give families an option to keep healthy kids in school and not at home in quarantine. The program is only for students not exhibiting any symptoms, if at any point the student tests positive or develops symptoms, they would convert to the quarantine (isolation) period set by the Warren County Health Department.

It is important to know that this Pilot Program does NOT apply to <u>extracurricular</u> activities. Students that are a direct contact in a school setting may participate in the Pilot Program, but may not participate in extracurricular activities during the pilot quarantine period. It is also important to note that participation in this program is only for students who are in direct contact as a result of a student being positive in a school setting. They may not participate in the Pilot Program if they are quarantined due to direct contact during an extracurricular activity or an outside of school activity or gathering.

Contact tracing on who is determined to be a direct contact has not changed. The major changes are students participating in the Pilot Program will be permitted to attend school with a mask and testing guidelines.

As a school district, we understand how important extracurricular activities are for all of our students and we hope this Pilot Program is the first step in keeping kids in school and being able to participate in all of their activities. As for now, these are the rules set forth by the Ohio Department of Health and we must follow these guidelines.

To participate in the Pilot Program, a permission slip must be submitted to the nurse's office. Permission slips can be found on the district website under the "RESOURCES" tab, and then by clicking on the "COVID-19 PILOT PROGRAM" tab. Once completed, permission slips can be emailed to jamie.caudill@carlisleindians.org. Jamie Caudill is our new COVID relief staff member that Warren County ESC has provided the district. She will be doing the testing for the Pilot Program.

Thank you for your time and do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Baker RN, MSN District School Nurse