



CLAY COUNTY SCHOOLS

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Dear Clay County Staff, Students, and Community,

The Clay County School System is operating normally for the 2023-2024 school year. Please note that this is subject to change as additional information about the spread and prevention of COVID-19 is known. In addition, directives may evolve as they are received from Governor Jim Justice, public health officials, and the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE). Therefore, all West Virginia County Boards of Education must be prepared to alter their guidance to comply with any new directives to best protect student health and learning needs. For our part, we will make sure staff, students and their families, and the community have access to the most current safe practices and guidance on our website.

We are working diligently to provide a caring, committed, and successful school year.

Respectfully,

Philip R. Dobbins
Superintendent

Updated COVID-19 Protocols

February 2024

DON'T FEEL WELL? STAY HOME

If you have the symptoms below,
let your family and teachers know.



COUGH



FEVER



**SORE
THROAT**



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KEY MITIGATIONS FOR SCHOOLS *(including extracurricular activities)*

These practices are important to not only guard against COVID-19, but also the spread of other infections such as the flu and the common cold.

The most effective mitigation strategy is the vaccination for those eligible to receive it.



Cleaning and disinfecting



Hand hygiene and coughing/ sneezing etiquette



Monitor school positivity rates

When student or staff tests positive for COVID-19:

- » Students and staff who test positive for COVID-19, should stay home for at least 5 days and isolate from others.
- » Students are not allowed to participate in extracurricular activities while in isolation and potentially infectious.
- » Day 0 is the first day of symptoms or day tested if asymptomatic.
- » Students and staff may return to school if they:
 - › Stayed home and isolated for at least 5 full days
 - › Are fever free for 24 hours (without the use of fever reducing medications)
 - › Have symptoms that are improving
- » It is recommended that a mask be worn days 6-10.
- » Individuals who were severely ill or immunocompromised should stay home and isolate for 10 days.