

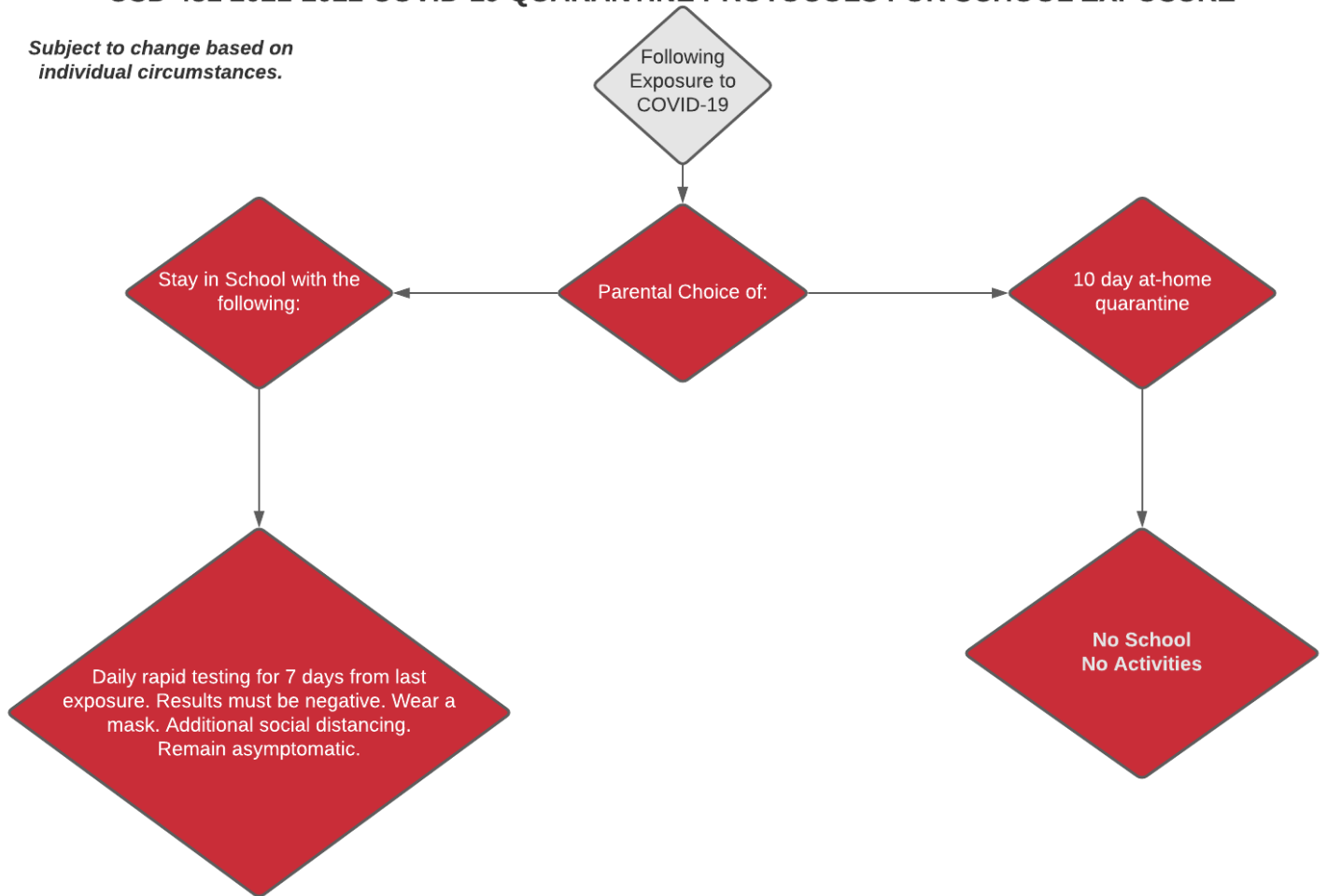
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USD 481 Rural Vista
Operational Guidelines for 2021-2022
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If you test positive for COVID-19, you must do the 10 day at-home quarantine.

USD 481 2021-2022 COVID-19 QUARANTINE PROTOCOLS FOR SCHOOL EXPOSURE

Subject to change based on individual circumstances.



Masks

- It is highly recommended that students and staff wear a mask while indoors.
- USD 481 will follow Dickinson County Covid guidelines.

Quarantine

- Positive case isolates for 10 days at home.
- Close contacts have the option to either test daily for 7 school days, mask up, and attend school in the classroom **OR** stay home for the 10 days.

Hygiene Measures

- Handwashing emphasis will continue
- Hand sanitizer will be available around the school
- 6 feet social distancing in the classroom when possible
- STAY HOME WHEN FEELING ILL

Cleaning of Facilities

- Cleaning regimens and protocols are established and will continue
- All COVID solutions for cleaning will be used
- Disinfectant wipes will be continued at MS/HS between periods

Diagnostic Screening and Testing

- Hope and White City will have staff trained to administer the diagnostic test for those students who opt-in for daily testing due to close contact.

Accommodation for Children with Disabilities

- Students with an IEP, 504 Plan, and other documented student supports, will have all appropriate accommodations and supports made available to them.

Continuity of Services

- Academic needs will be met through continued full-time, in person instruction.
- Social, emotional, and mental health needs will be met through social emotional curriculum and counselors.
- Student health and food service needs will be available for all students. All students will have access to free breakfast and lunch daily as well as school nursing services.

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STAY IN SCHOOL WITH MODIFICATIONS IF A CLOSE CONTACT

Masks

- It is highly recommended that students and staff wear a mask while indoors.
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Definition of Close Contact: Someone who is exposed to a person with COVID-19 by being less than 3 feet for 10 cumulative minutes.

Quarantine

- Contact tracing will be done by the school.
- Positive case isolates for 10 days at home.
- Close contacts options:

Option 1 **STAY IN SCHOOL OPTION: Daily Antigen testing at school for 7 days since last known exposure, AND must wear a mask. Student must quarantine at home when not in school. If Day 7 falls on a non-school day, the student/staff will need to test on the first attendance day of the new week. If student/staff is returning and it has been more than 10 days since their last known exposure, they DO NOT need to test upon return.**

Option 2 *Refuse Daily Antigen Testing at School Option:* Student/staff must quarantine at home for 10 days, since last known exposure. **NO SCHOOL and NO SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

Option 3 *Test Out of Quarantine Option:* Student/staff chooses to quarantine at home. Student/staff may have a PCR test done on Day 6 or later of current quarantine. If PCR test is negative and student/staff are asymptomatic, they may return on Day 8.

This allows those vaccinated and unvaccinated to **STAY IN SCHOOL** if identified as a close contact yet helps prevent the spread of the virus. **EDUCATION FIRST!!!**