

Happy Friday Summerville Community,

This is Kellene Ditler and Michael Merrill with your Weekly Campus Update for September 24, 2021.

Quarantine Procedures:

The district policy regarding quarantine protocols for close contacts is being amended to allow asymptomatic students to remain on campus during quarantine under a **modified quarantine*** status. This change is in line with the CDPH guidance. This will allow us to keep students at school for the entire quarantine period if they are identified as a close contact as long as two conditions are met:

1. Students remain asymptomatic
2. Students rapid test twice weekly during the 10-day quarantine period
 - a. A permission form must be on file in the school office

***Students on Modified Quarantine** may attend school, but cannot participate in extracurricular activities until day 8 of the quarantine period.

Attached to this email is a **sample document** that will be sent home if your student is ever considered a close contact.

If your student is determined to be a close contact and you wish for them to remain on campus, they can be tested at school on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in room 405 at 7:45am with a rapid test. If you do not have a **testing permission form** completed and on file, please complete the attached form and bring it with you and your student to the testing area. In addition, there is a **QR code attached** to this email for students to register online so that the testing will go faster once they arrive at room 405. If your student tests negative, he/she may remain at school. If he/she receives a positive test result, you will need to take him/her home to quarantine.

The testing procedure used on campus is either a nasal swab PCR test or a nasal swab antigen rapid test.

Resilient Community

We ask that our community continue to work with us to make sure we can provide the safe learning environment that our students and staff deserve.

Parents—please help us keep our campus open by reminders to students to follow mask guidance which includes wearing a mask that meets CDPH guidelines and practice good handwashing.

Free and Reduced Meal Benefits:

If you have not done so already, please pay your student's iPad insurance and bus fees via SchoolPay today. If you qualify for free/reduced meal benefits, and have not filled out the EZMeal App, please do so as soon as possible. **Free and reduced meal benefits will waive or reduce iPad insurance and bus fees.** The income verification form included with online registration will not qualify your student for free and reduced meal benefits, so please use the below link to submit your application today.

<http://tinyurl.com/summervillefrapp>

<https://www.schoolpay.com/>

Athletics:

- If you are interested in playing any Winter or Spring sports, please get registered on the 8 to 18 website as soon as possible. Coaches will begin season planning and sending our communications prior to the season starting.

Homecoming Week:

Homecoming week will be celebrated at Summerville High the week of October 18, 2021. The week will culminate with a home football game against Calaveras. More details to follow in future updates.

COVID-19 Update:

As we continue to see a surge in COVID cases in Tuolumne County, please do your part to be safe.

- **Safety Protocols:** Wear a CDPH approved face covering indoors (mask must properly cover both nose and mouth at all times), wash your hands frequently and stay home if you are not feeling well. Check the Public Health website at health@tuolumnecounty.ca.gov for information related to the state COVID testing site and vaccination clinics
- **Student screening:** We request that students/parents check for any COVID symptoms prior to coming to school. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19 and are recommended for testing:
 - Fever (100.4 or higher)
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose

- Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
- **Meetings:** Any meetings held on school campus require masking (regardless of vaccination status) if held indoors as per Public Health orders. Meetings will have zoom options if people choose not to mask, contact our office if you have any questions.

Updates will continue each week to keep our community informed.

Have a great weekend and we will see you all on Monday.