



Family message on COVID precautions

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Dear Everett Public Schools families,

You may have seen in recent news that [COVID case rates](#) are increasing again in our community and our schools. Snohomish County has moved from low risk to medium risk in the [COVID-19 Community Levels outlined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#). You can stay updated on positive COVID cases in our schools on the district COVID [dashboard](#).

While guidance has not changed, the health department is emphasizing the importance of mask wearing. This includes urging people to voluntarily wear masks in most indoor public spaces or crowded outdoor settings. While not requiring it, schools continue to support mask wearing, especially after being in social settings, traveling, or possible exposure to people with COVID.

Everett Public Schools is not changing its practices or issuing any new requirements. We continue to adhere to statewide guidance from the Washington State Department of Health and the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

As always, please keep your child home if they have any symptoms. Families can [use this flow chart](#) to help decide if children should go to school or stay home and test for COVID. If your student tests positive for COVID, please follow these steps:

1. Isolate at home.
2. **Please report the positive status to the Covid Tracing Team (CTT) by calling 425-385-4299.**
3. Notify the school attendance line as soon as possible.
4. Follow the [COVID isolation guidelines](#) to determine when they can safely return.

If you have any questions, please contact your school office. Thank you for your partnership in keeping students and staff healthy and in school through the last day of school, June 22.

Be safe and be well,

Dr. Ian B. Saltzman