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Dear Jennings County Families,

This week, Governor Holcomb released an executive order that will positively impact JCSC students. For school districts requiring face masks, the new guidelines state, “For K-12 schools that have and consistently enforce a face covering requirement for children, students, teachers, staff and others present, **close contacts are not required to quarantine and may continue to attend school as long as they are asymptomatic.** The close contacts should monitor daily for symptoms of COVID-19. Any symptoms of COVID-19 must prompt immediate removal of the symptomatic individual from the school environment. The individual should seek testing and isolate. This exception to quarantine **only applies in the classroom setting and for students riding a bus and fully masked** and does not apply to lunch, extracurricular, athletics, etc.” For non-classroom settings, asymptomatic individuals, unless fully vaccinated or recovered from a COVID-19 infection within the past 90 days, who are identified as a close contact of a COVID-19 case shall quarantine, until 14 days after the date of last exposure; or 10 days after the date of last exposure, following additional precautions for days 11-14.

For JCSC students this is very good news and will mean that unless students are COVID positive or are symptomatic, they will be able to remain in school and will not be subject to quarantine, unless they are a close contact during lunch or another time when masks were not worn. Parents will still be notified if students are considered a close contact so students can be monitored for symptoms at home. We will continue to keep you informed as we receive changes or updates from the Indiana Department of Health. Thank you and enjoy your Labor Day holiday.

Sincerely,

Teresa A. Brown
Superintendent

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