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We are excited to welcome our students back to school this week! As of today, masks continue to be optional for all students and staff this school year.

If a student tests positive for COVID, parents/guardians must contact their school nurse.

If an individual tests positive for COVID in a classroom or bus, parents/guardians will receive a campus messenger email ([view here](#)). Individuals in sports, activities and/or clubs will be notified by the coach or advisor. Parents/guardians may choose to self-quarantine but must contact a school administrator to do so.

Open Houses will be held this week as planned. However, from Thursday, August 5 to Labor Day, the following mitigation strategies will be in place for all elementary schools:

- Avoid large group settings, if possible, particularly in the cafeteria and at recess
- Limit student movement in the building
- Hold virtual curriculum nights, staff meetings, and PTA/O events
- No visitors or field trips
- Assigned seating in classrooms and buses
- No student attendance incentives and/or awards
- Frequent handwashing throughout the day
- Thorough cleaning in the building

As always, we encourage all individuals to stay home when they are sick or if they are waiting for COVID test results.

Local data will continue to drive any future decisions around mitigation strategies, potential contact tracing, and potential quarantines. Unless directed otherwise by the Department of Public Health or the Governor's Office, we are not planning on contact tracing, quarantining healthy kids, or reporting daily positive cases on the district website.

We thank our entire Forsyth County community for your continued patience and support.