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Dear Tiger Families,

As we have returned from Christmas break and started work 2nd semester, I wanted to take this opportunity to share a district COVID-19 update. At this time, we have 12 students quarantined who were identified as close contacts to positive cases either in their home or a positive student case. Fortunately, our District wide mask mandate helped to prevent the quarantine of multiple students who were masked during their classes.

The Cooper County Public Health Department has issued a response to the CDC's quarantine guideline changes. The CCPH Department will allow individuals to complete quarantine after day 10, provided they do not have any symptoms. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) indicates school districts must at least follow the minimum guidelines provided by the CDC and local health department, however, the school district may decide to be more restrictive as well. Pilot Grove C-4 School District will amend our close contact quarantine from 14 days to 10 days; however, at this time the District will not allow for students to test out of quarantine as the CDC and Health Department would allow at day 7. While we realize this would require our students to quarantine for an additional 3 days, the district has decided to take the caution to ensure a close contact does not develop symptoms between days 7 and 10 and further quarantine other students. Families may always choose to have their child quarantine for the full 14 days, but the ability to return to school after a 10 day quarantine will be available for asymptomatic students. Students who return from quarantine on day 11 will continue to screen for symptoms with the Nurse first thing each morning through day 14. If at any time during the 14 day period symptoms occur, the student will be required to leave school immediately and complete the remainder of their quarantine.

As a reminder, if a household member is symptomatic and being tested for COVID-19, we ask that all students be kept at home until results are received as a precaution to prevent further spread. We appreciate your help in keeping students home when sick and following these protocols in an effort to keep our student and staff population healthy to ensure continuity to in-seat learning.

Take Care,
Ashley Groepper

"Home of the Tigers!"