August 26, 2021

Highland CUSD No. 5 Parents and Staff,

I didn't expect to follow up with another update so quickly, but it appears some clarifications are in order with the quarantine procedures I made available yesterday. First of all, we anticipate far fewer quarantines to occur this year due to the social distancing requirement changing from 6 feet to 3 feet for students. We have made an effort to ensure all students are 3 feet apart in nearly all classroom settings. There may be times that students need to be closer for projects, group work, etc. We will attempt to limit those situations to keep kids in school.

The other clarification is that vaccinated students are not required to quarantine if exposed to a positive case as long as they do not have symptoms. I have revised the quarantine process to include this language. We will continue to make changes as necessary. Here is a link to the revised procedures: https://5il.co/xwuf

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support. Have a great day and rest of the week! Sincerely,

Michael S. Sutton, Superintendent