

# ROME COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

## District Number Two

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Dear Rome Families,

I just wanted to update you on the new guidance that IDPH released today. The CDC and IDPH had previously released this guidance, but schools were excluded. Today IDPH and ISBE have indicated that they will follow suit with the CDC guidelines of the 5-day quarantine. Because they have only indicated that they will follow suit, it has not been implemented yet. We will wait for the official word from IDPH and ISBE before we begin following it. Hopefully, it won't be too long before we can follow the new guidance. There are some schools that have chosen to go ahead and implement this new guidance. We have chosen to wait until we are given the go ahead before we incorporate it. I am hoping that it will be really soon when we can implement it. Thank you for understanding as we continue to try to keep everyone here at Rome healthy.

Also, I would also like to thank all of you for keeping your children at home when they are not feeling well, or could have been exposed. This helps a great deal and it is very much appreciated. Together we will continue to get through this very difficult time.

I also, would like to update you on our Covid numbers currently and for the year. Thanks to you, these numbers really look pretty good. I am hoping we can whether these first weeks of January and then move on. Again, thank you for all of your help over the past year and a half.

Total # of current combined student/staff positives=1

Total # of student/staff positives during the 2021-22 school year to date=27

Total # of students/staff currently quarantined due to CC through school/bus/sports=0

Total # of students/staff currently quarantined due to CC exposure outside of school=10

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Phillips, Superintendent  
Rome Grade School