## [admin\_super] July COVID information update

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**Subject:** [admin\_super] July COVID information update

**To:** admin super <admin\_super@4j.lane.edu>

## Good afternoon,

The purpose of this email is to provide updated COVID information for you to respond to employees who test positive for COVID and notify you of their positive test. As noted in the May 19 email sent to all administrators, managers and supervisors with information from the Oregon Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority, beginning May 11 the five-day period of isolation for those infected with COVID-19 was no longer recommended for the general population, including people in K-12 education settings. Oregon public health officials believe widespread population immunity, due to vaccination and repeated infections, means most COVID-19 infections are now likely asymptomatic or mildly symptomatic, and the five-day isolation period is doing little to reduce transmission. **The recommendation for the general population is to stay home until fever free for 24 hours and symptoms are improving;** to avoid contact with individuals at increased risk for severe disease, including older adults and those with underlying medical conditions; and to consider masking for 10 days.

COVID-19 is in the <u>Communicable Disease Guidance for Schools</u> and the district will follow the Symptom-Based Exclusion Guidelines (pages 9-11,13). For information specific to COVID, see page 16.

## Effective July 1:

 There is no notification requirement for employees who test positive for COVID and Google forms will no longer be submitted. As with all illnesses, employees are to stay home from work if they are feeling ill and unable to perform their job duties.

Employees who **feel ill** and test positive are to:

- stay home until fever-free for 24 hours (100.4 or greater)
- stay home until symptoms are improving and they feel well and able to work (If an employee has questions regarding COVID or they are unsure, based on their symptoms, when to return to work please have them contact their medical care provider)
- Employees must use sick leave for their absences. There is no longer any type of Emergency Paid Leave (EPL) for employees who test positive for COVID. Employees who use more leave than they have available will receive a pay deduct following the next available pay period.

Thank you, Dawn HR Administrator | 4J COVID Administrator Eugene School District 4J (541) 790-7558

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