

Blanchard Public Schools



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Blanchard Public Schools Families & Staff -

Our local, state and national health organizations recently released a statement which indicated they will move away from universal case investigation and contact tracing. This adjustment will allow organizations to shift resources to better serve their communities at this stage of the pandemic. Based on this guidance, Blanchard Public Schools will adjust our COVID-19 safety protocols to follow their lead. These changes are effective Monday, February 14, 2022.

Blanchard Public Schools will no longer:

- BPS will no longer conduct contact tracing on a case-by-case basis. Instead, we will focus our resources to conduct outbreak or “hot-spot” investigations as necessary.
- BPS will no longer notify each individual who is identified as a “close contact”. Instead, BPS may notify families and staff who may be involved in an outbreak or “hot spot” incident.

Blanchard Public Schools will continue:

- BPS will continue monitoring data, tracking and collecting self-reported positive COVID-19 cases for students and staff.
- BPS will continue to require anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 to isolate for at least 5 days, regardless of vaccination status.
- BPS will continue to allow masks to be worn on our campuses, as the parent, staff or student sees fit.
- BPS will continue with our enhanced cleaning and disinfection protocols.

Again, families should keep children home from school if they are sick and, likewise, employees should not report to work if they are ill.

In the meantime, let's continue to do everything possible to keep our students, families and staff as safe and healthy as possible, allowing us to continue with in-person teaching and learning.

Brady Barnes

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