Loyalsock Township School District

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Loyalsock Families,

The purpose of this letter is to make you aware of recent updates to the Loyalsock Township School District's Health and Safety Plan. On January 26, 2022, the Board approved changes to the Loyalsock Township School District's Health and Safety Plan. Please note the following:

- The District will no longer contact trace close contact students in the classroom. If you have a student with a medical condition, etc., you may request to receive "notice of close contact" from the school nurse.
- Only students and staff who test positive will be quarantined along with their household contacts. We will continue to follow CDC guidelines for quarantining students who test positive and set our return to school dates in accordance with current guidelines.
- Masks will be available in the school offices for any student or staff member who chooses to wear them. We have ordered both KN94 (youth) and KN95 masks for students and staff.
- A weekly notification identifying the number of positive cases per building will be communicated via the school notification system.
- We will continue with in-school instruction. Short-term transitions to remote instruction may take place as in the past to prevent an outbreak or if we have personnel shortages.
- We will continue to discuss our health and safety plan at our administrative meetings and recommend adjustments as needed.
- > We will update the board on any issues of concern and continue to monitor our local and state data.
- > Staff and students who are experiencing COVID symptoms or are ill should not report to school.
- Please continue to monitor your children for any new or unexplained symptoms that may require attention from your primary care physician.
- If your student or a household member test positive for COVID, please contact your school nurse immediately.

We are all in this together. We appreciate your efforts in helping us to maintain a safe learning environment for our students. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

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