

January 3, 2022

Happy New Year West Salem Families,

On Friday, December 24th, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) updated its quarantine and isolation recommendations. The School District of West Salem is aware of this and is reviewing the documents accordingly.

In order to maintain in-person learning for our students and to assist with staffing needs, the district will be utilizing the shortened quarantine guidelines for our staff. We will continue our current quarantine guidelines and procedures for our students until this review is complete. We have been successful up to this point, and we want to make sure that we begin the new year on a positive note. Our goal continues to be to keep our students in school and participating in our activities while allowing our families the option of choice for their children.

I also want to provide an update on our on-site testing. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services can no longer provide rapid antigen tests and is only supplying us with the PCR tests. We will still have someone on-site to provide PCR testing for those who are symptomatic. If you or your child is in need of an antigen test, please contact your local medical provider or pharmacy. When or if the antigen tests become available again, we will communicate that out.

Thank you, be well, and Happy New Year!

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Superintendent

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