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Dear Western Wayne Community,

At last evening's School Board meeting, a revised version of the District's Health and Safety – Tiered Mitigation Plan was approved. **Beginning tomorrow, Friday, February 11th**, masks will now be optional for students under the age of 5. Also, the quarantine and isolation guidelines for asymptomatic students deemed close contacts have been adjusted. Students who are close contacts of a positive case, and who are **asymptomatic**, may now continue with in-person instruction and not quarantine; however, they must continue to monitor their symptoms. If symptoms occur at any point, please stay home and follow the CDC/DOH recommendations or contact your family physician. Quarantine and isolation will still be required for those students/staff who test positive for COVID-19 or who demonstrate symptoms.

The plan will continue to utilize the total number of positive cases in a building/campus over a rolling 14-day period, in relation to the total number of students and staff in that building/campus, to determine if a five-day masking requirement will be implemented (over 2.5% of positive cases/total pop).

***Please note that all students and staff will still be required to wear a mask/face covering at all times while on district transportation until further notice.**

You may view the revised Health and Safety – Tiered Mitigation Plan on our website <http://ww3.westernwayne.org/>. We will continue to maintain frequent communication with our school community and inform you of any updates. We thank you for your understanding and flexibility. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Matthew Barrett, Ed. D.
Superintendent

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