

The Montezuma-Cortez School District is following guidance from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment which aligns with routine response to infectious illnesses including COVID-19.

The Montezuma-Cortez School District will work directly with the Montezuma County Public Health Department to make decisions about mitigation strategies if a response is needed due to an increase in COVID-19 cases and absenteeism.

Quarantine in K-12 settings following routine classroom exposures is no longer recommended. Masking and quarantine in K-12 settings following routine classroom exposures are only recommended if a mitigation strategy is put in place. Students, staff, and volunteers who test positive for COVID-19 should isolate.

Positive school cases can be found on the district app so individuals can monitor closely for symptoms and choose to increase personal mitigation measures as necessary.

It remains important to stay up to date with vaccinations, stay home when sick, test when symptomatic, and isolate if you test positive for COVID-19.

The Montezuma-Cortez School District will continually work to maintain and improve ventilation, encourage appropriate hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette, and practice regular cleaning.

For up-to-date information on COVID-19 isolation and quarantine guidance please visit the CDC's Isolation and Quarantine Calculator at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/isolation.html

