

# *Immanuel Lutheran School*

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Date: August 23  
From: ILS Board of Ed  
RE: COVID-19 Protocols to begin the year

The following measures are implemented to begin the 2021-22 school year.

1. We are not requiring masks for students and staff. If students or staff choose to wear a mask, that is their decision to make.
2. If a student or staff member test positive for COVID, they must stay home in isolation for 10 days.
3. If a student (or staff member) is a close contact at school, parents will be informed and asked to monitor their student for up to 10 days. The student or staff member will not be required to miss school.
4. If a student or staff member is a close contact of a household member who is positive for COVID-19, they must quarantine for 10 days. Or, if tested negative after the 5<sup>th</sup> day, may return on day 7. The quarantine period starts the day after the person with COVID-19 completes their isolation period.
5. Masking is still required on all school buses. This is a federal requirement as school busses are considered public transportation.
6. Vaccinations are not a requirement to attend school. This is a decision for families based on what they believe is best for their children/students.
7. The school will maximize spaces in classrooms and common areas to allow for more spacing between students.
8. The school will continue the daily disinfection of surfaces and spaces as we did last year.
9. Hand sanitizer will remain available.
10. School schedules will return to normal. Classes will be 5 days a week.
11. In the event of a COVID-19 outbreak, distance learning may be utilized for a period of time.
12. The best educational outcomes occur when students are in school and working with their teachers.
13. We will only offer distance learning to those students who are quarantined or sick.

This plan may change depending on how the year progresses. We are very thankful for the support students and parents and pray that God blesses our work together this school year. To Him be the glory!

But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. Isaiah 40:31