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Dear Parents,

We know all of you are concerned about the safety and well-being of your child. Please know that the Quitman County School District is following CDC guidelines, mask wearing, social distancing, desk shields, temperature checks, contact tracing, and sanitizing the building daily to help prevent the spread of COVID. All students, staff and visitors are required to wear a mask while inside the buildings.

This is guidance from the Mississippi State Department of Health in regards to schools:

1. When is quarantine required?
Quarantine is required when a person has been within 3 feet of an infected person for 15 minutes or more without wearing a mask and is unvaccinated.

2. When is quarantine not required?
Quarantine is not required when a person, who is vaccinated or unvaccinated, comes into contact with an infected person, and they both were wearing a mask and were 3 feet or more apart. Contact in school, as a rule, should not result in a quarantine unless there was unmasked contact, closer than 3 feet and longer than 15 minutes.

3. What is an outbreak?
An outbreak is defined as 3 or more cases of COVID-19 in a classroom or group (sports team, group activity, band, or other) within 14 days. In an outbreak setting, quarantine and exclusion for the school setting is required for all unvaccinated exposed persons in the outbreak group.

4. When can schools be dismissed for a COVID-19 outbreak?
The school may consider dismissal of the entire students/faculty under the following conditions:
 - A. If 3 or more individual classroom settings, defined groups, or defined buildings are experiencing simultaneous outbreaks.
 - B. If multiple absentees or exclusions of students and staff are leading to disruptions in on campus functioning and affecting the learning environment as determined by the school.If decided upon, dismissal should be for at least 10 days to interrupt transmission.

We strongly encourage all students who are eligible for the vaccine to be vaccinated. Please notify the school if your child test positive for COVID-19 or has been in close contact to someone with COVID outside of the school.