

**COVID-19 Update
2023-24 School Year
Effective July 1, 2023**

The COVID-19 Public Health Emergency ended on May 11, 2023. This essentially means that the pandemic is no longer considered a global emergency or health care crisis.

School City of Hammond would like to continue to ensure that all staff and students remain healthy and safe:

- If you test positive for COVID-19, we recommend that you seek the advice of your health care provider prior to your return to work. The current CDC guidelines recommend that you isolate for 5 days from the start of symptoms or the date of your positive COVID-19 test. Return to work or school when symptoms are resolving and fever free for 24 hours.
- CDC recommends that you wear a mask for 5 consecutive days when you return to work and in close contact with other staff and students.