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Dear Southwestern Families:

Thank you to everyone that supported our school in the transition to wearing a mask as optional. Here are a couple of key points for you going forward. In addition, we will post the official documents for reference on our Website.

1. Universal masking is optional in all school buildings including buses. As a district we will support any child and/or adult who chooses to wear a mask.
2. All COVID-19 positive cases need to be reported to the school nurse. If you test positive you will need to isolate for five days or longer if you experience symptoms. On day 6 you can return to school (symptom free) but will need to wear a mask for five additional days.
3. All staff and/or students who have symptoms need to contact the school nurse and not attend school.
4. If you have been identified as a close contact and/or exposed to COVID-19 it is recommended that you test on Day 1 and Day 5 as a precautionary measure of safety.
5. Rapid test kits are available for our staff and families in the district office and any of our Health Offices.
6. We will send out an email or a classroom remind if there is a positive case in a classroom or on a bus.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support! Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs. Donahue

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