August 24, 2022:

The Erie County Department of Health has updated its COVID-19 guidance as of August 11, 2022. Here is a summary of the updated guidance. Please refer to the Erie County Department of Health guidance for more information.

**Exposure to COVID-19**
- Individuals exposed to COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status, do not need to quarantine.
- It is recommended that exposed individuals wear a “high-quality mask” for 10 days and get tested on day 5.
- It is recommended that individuals who suspect they have COVID-19 due to their symptoms isolate and get tested.
  - Those who test negative can end isolation.
  - Those who test positive are recommended to stay home and isolate for at least 5 days.

**If you test positive,**
- the CDC recommends the following actions after 5 days:
  - If you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of medication, and your symptoms are improving, or you never had symptoms, you may end isolation.
  - Wear a high-quality mask through day 10.

**Mitigation**

CSE will:

- continue to follow the Health and Safety Plan (HASP).
- provide resources or refer to testing centers when a test is necessary.
- recommend individuals stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccination.
- recommend all individuals wear well-fitting masks at high COVID-19 Community Levels.
- Consider increasing physical distancing as conditions warrant.
- not continue to contact trace as this is no longer recommended in schools.
- maintain alignment with requirements in Title 28 Pa. Code Chapter 27, schools must report positive cases of COVID-19 to the Erie County Department of Health.