What If?
A guiding tool to identify decision making processes

The following guidelines may be revised in accordance with directives or orders from the Governor, Wyoming Health Officer and/or the Laramie County Health Department. In the instance of a COVID-19 positive case, the Laramie County Health Department will initiate its process for contact tracing, identifying community health impact and deciding the course of action for a particular classroom or school building closure, depending on a variety of factors, including but not limited to, the scope of exposure and known positives.

**Scenario 1**

**Student tests positive for COVID-19**

- A student/staff member who tests positive for COVID-19 by the Laramie County Health Department or their healthcare provider will be required to isolate at home for a minimum of 10 days AND have improvement of symptoms AND no fever for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) prior to returning to school. If they are still exhibiting symptoms after 10 days, they will remain isolated until symptoms improve and are fever free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medications).

- Students and/or staff members who were in close contact with a confirmed positive case, as determined through investigative contact tracing by the Laramie County Health Department, will be contacted by the department and quarantined for 14 days. If symptoms develop during quarantine, evaluation and additional testing may occur, and based on the results of testing, further isolation may be warranted.

- The student isolated or quarantined will receive instruction through remote education.

**Scenario 2**

**My child was quarantined by the Laramie County Health Department as an identified close contact of a known COVID-19 positive. Does my entire family have to quarantine?**

- The known close contact, the student(s), will be quarantined by the Laramie County Health Department.

- No other family members (unless also a close contact of a known positive) are required to quarantine.

- If symptoms develop during quarantine, testing may occur, and based on the results of testing, further isolation may be warranted.

**Scenario 3**

**Multiple students and/or staff members within a school test positive for COVID-19**

- Every effort will be made to keep a classroom or a school open if deemed safe. If an outbreak occurs, schools could be closed by state or local public health officers’ directive or order for a 2-3 day period (or longer if conditions warrant) to conduct contact tracing and allow for LCSD2 to disinfect the facility.

- During the closure, LCSD2 will deliver hybrid or remote education (Tier II) for isolated/quarantined students.

**Scenario 4**

**Schools are closed locally or statewide through public health orders due to pandemic.**

- LCSD2 will provide educational services for all students using the Adapted Learning Plan (Tier III) for the duration of the closure.

**Scenario 5**

**I have concerns about my child returning to school for in-person learning**

- Laramie County School District 2 is committed to providing all students with a high-quality education while supporting a safe environment for all.

- LCSD2 is providing a virtual option for those students who, based on need or personal choice, are not interested in attending school in person. Enrollment will be allowed quarterly based on availability of seats.

**Scenario 6**

**Public health orders require face coverings to be worn when students/staff can’t social distance. Are there times they can be removed?**

- The Governor’s Public Health Order requires students and staff to wear face coverings when social distancing of 6 feet cannot be maintained.

- Students may remove face coverings when engaged in strenuous activity or during recovery phase.

This document is intended as a framework to help understand the guidelines to be considered if COVID-19 directly impacts school or district environments. These guidelines may be revised in accordance with all directives or orders of the Governor of the State of Wyoming, Wyoming Health Department and/or the Laramie County Health Department.