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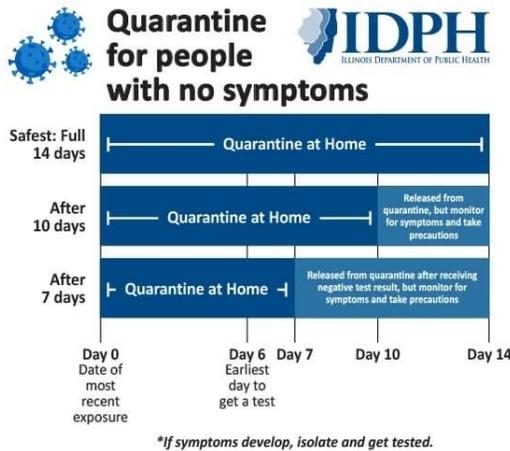
Dear NSSED Families,

**Learning Model and Transportation Selection**

Thank you for submitting your choice of learning model for your student(s) for the remainder of the school year. Please contact your administrator immediately if you have not communicated your learning model choice.

**Illinois Department of Public Health: Revised Quarantine Guidance**

On December 2, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released new options for public health authorities to consider for establishing quarantine timeframes. Here is [information from the Illinois Department of Public Health](#); the IDPH is working with local health authorities to implement the revised guidance.



**Lake County Health Department (LCHD) Update**

We have been asked to assist in sharing information about the LCHD’s vaccine distribution efforts and signup. For information about registering to receive the vaccine and which groups will be eligible first, you can access the press release from the LCHD [English Press Release](#); [Spanish Press Release](#). You can register yourself and others so you can be notified when a COVID-19 vaccine is available. Registering online can be done by visiting [AllVax.lakecohealth.org](http://AllVax.lakecohealth.org) or over the phone by calling the LCHD at (847)



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377-8130. When registering, note that “Frontline Essential Workers” includes the field of education.

Because vaccine supply will be limited at first, certain groups of people who are at higher risk will be eligible for vaccination before others. The CDC is helping state and local health departments distribute the vaccine fairly. You can find out more about these guidelines on the CDC’s website.

The LCHD is developing a plan to roll out vaccinations to schools. Please note that while vaccinations will become available, we will all still need to adhere to the 3 Ws:

- Watch your distance,
- Wear a mask, and
- Wash your hands.

The LCHD is continuing to review data and school mitigation efforts to determine a recommendation for districts as we plan to return to some level of in-person learning following winter break.

### **Safe Holiday Plans**

Winter break ends on January 3, 2021. For those choosing to travel during this time, we ask that you return home by January 4th to complete a 14-day quarantine prior to the return to school on January 19th.

Please follow CDC guidance for a safe holiday season. With significant community transmissions everywhere, we must all work against COVID-19 fatigue and make adjustments to our traditional holiday plans in order to prevent further illnesses, hospitalizations, and deaths.

- [CDC: Holiday Celebrations and Small Gatherings](#)

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