

## Mount Sinai Union Free School District

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## Dear Mount Sinai Community:

Currently, the District is witnessing a rise in COVID positive cases among students across all three schools. An increase in COVID student cases means an increase in those students who need to be quarantined because of illness or as a result of being in close contact. I strongly urge every parent to get their child tested as quickly as possible if they are displaying symptoms of COVID at home or are sent home by the school nurse due to various symptoms.

In Mount Sinai students and staff are quarantined for 10 days from the day of their COVID test, not at the first sign of symptoms. According to the Suffolk County Department of Health, each school district has the right to create their own policy. The administrators and health personnel in each building agree that the day of testing provides us with a real definitive start date for quarantine verses the ambiguity of the exact day of onset of symptoms. Therefore, we strongly encourage parents to have their symptomatic children tested as quickly as possible so that the length of the quarantine begins at the earliest possible date.

Sincerely,

Gordon Brosdal

Superintendent of Schools