

COVID-19 PROTOCOL CHANGES AT ASHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

On April 8th, the Ashland School Board accepted the following recommendation from the AES COVID-19 Committee:

“The AES Covid Committee recommends that we adopt NH Department of Health and Human Services Guideline # 38 pertaining to close contact quarantine period and travel guidelines. Moving forward, the Ashland School District will use the DHHS guidelines as a minimum standard when reviewing protocols within the school building and will have the ability to implement these protocols immediately.”

This is a significant change within our community. Here is what it means for you:

Guideline	Current Practice	New Practice Effective Immediately
Travel Guidance within the US	Any travel outside of New England requires a 14 day quarantine regardless of vaccination status	There is no required quarantine for travel within the United States.
Travel Guidance for International or Cruise Ship Travel	Any international or cruise ship travel will require a 14 day quarantine	International or cruise ship travel will require a 10 day quarantine
Close Contact Guidance **no vaccine **not diagnosed with COVID-19 in past 90 days	14 day quarantine	10 day quarantine
Close Contact Guidance **2 weeks past 2 nd vaccine	No quarantine	No quarantine
Close Contact Guidance For someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 90 days.	To be reviewed on a case by case basis	No quarantine
Social Distance Guidance	Maintain minimum of six foot distance between student desks in the classroom and in all other areas.	Maintain a minimum of three foot distance between student desks in the classroom and a minimum of six foot distance in all other areas.

Please use the following link <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/alerts/han.htm> for a full list of DHHS Updates.

Please continue to follow all of our mitigation protocols to keep everyone in the building safe.