

The Weekly Comet Update

From Tom Meyer, Superintendent of the Bellevue Community School District

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Awareness to Monitor Student Health

The Bellevue Community School District is requesting each family monitor their children's health on a daily basis prior to coming to school, including taking their child's temperature. The Iowa Department of Public Health has recommended that school districts and their stakeholders utilize the following guidelines:

If a student has **ONE of the following symptoms** a student should stay home and are advised to seek an evaluation by a health care provider:

- New cough
- Shortness of Breath or difficulty breathing
- New loss of taste or smell

If a student has **TWO of the following symptoms** a student should stay home and are advised to seek an evaluation by a health care provider:

- Fever
- Headache
- Muscle/Body Aches
- Fatigue
- Sore Throat
- Runny Nose
- Congestion
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea

Extracurricular Event Attendance Information for All Spectators

The Bellevue Community School District is working to provide a safe environment for our students, staff, and spectators at all Comet events. By working together as a team of dedicated community members and supporters of the Comets, we hope we can all work to provide an exciting and safe experience for all in attendance at events. The following are regulations for attendance at both indoor and outdoor events at the Bellevue Community School District. These specific regulations may be adapted as the season progresses based on environmental conditions and specific recommendations from the Iowa Department of Public Health and similar organizations.

Indoor Events

- The requirements for indoor events for spectators is that all spectators **MUST** have a face covering on during the event at all times (except when eating or drinking).

Outdoor Events

Face Coverings

- All spectators are strongly encouraged to wear face coverings at games when social distancing cannot be maintained, such as in the bleachers or standing by others.
- In order to assist in increasing the likelihood of social distancing in the bleachers, every other row will be unavailable for seating.
- A face-covering being worn is required for everyone entering the facility, along with ordering items at the concession stand. A face covering must also be worn when the game is over and when people are exiting the bleachers and other to exit the facility.
- Coaches, players, and officials are not required to wear a face-covering, but are encouraged to wear masks when not competing or directly involved.

Spectator Expectations

- Spectators must accept personal responsibility and follow public health and school guidelines. Spectators should sit or stand with people who they live with and social distance from others.
- Spectators are encouraged to bring their own "fold-up" lawn chair to watch the game.
- Practice safe social distancing as much as possible, and wear a face-covering when that is not possible. More information is on the school website at <http://www.bellevue.k12.ia.us/coronavirus-covid19-updates>.

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