

COVID-19 UPDATE

WHAT IS QUARANTINE

Recently staff and students from Paint Valley have been placed in quarantine by the Ross County Health District because they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

In the event of a positive COVID-19 test result, the Ross County Health District is notified and they begin contact tracing. Contact Tracing is reaching out to those who have been exposed to the person who tested positive, in order to properly quarantine and monitor for symptoms.

What does quarantine mean?

- Separates people and restricts their movement if they were exposed to a contagious disease to see if they become sick.
- Is for people who are not sick, but who may have been exposed to someone (in close contact with someone) who is sick.
- Can be voluntary, but the Ross County Health District has the legal authority to issue quarantine order to people who were exposed to a contagious disease.

How long is quarantine?

- Stay home or in the same location for 14 days. If you get sick, begin to follow isolation instructions from the Ross County Health District.

Remember, being placed in quarantine does not always mean that person tested positive for COVID-19.

If you need to seek medical care, CALL your healthcare provider or clinic FIRST to get instructions BEFORE going to a healthcare office, hospital or urgent care.

There is a lot of good information available on the Ross County Health Districts website:

<http://rosscountyhealth.org/covid19/>