

September 24, 2021

Eagle Nation,

I am writing to provide an update of our District's numbers related to COVID-19 quarantines and isolations.

I am encouraged to report that our numbers have been steadily improving since the District's high point on September 7. Our active case counts are now back to "beginning of the school year" totals at the same time as we are seeing an improvement in trends within our city and county.

As of this Friday afternoon, September 24th at 2:30 p.m., our known data shows our active Joplin City cases are at 58 with a combined area hospital occupancy of 39. Across the District, we are showing a total of 15 active cases. Eleven of these are students and four are staff members.

On the quarantine front, Joplin Schools now has nine staff and 118 students with quarantine designation.

This serves as a good reminder that a fully vaccinated status may not only help protect you from the serious effects of COVID-19 but also prevent a quarantined status. This afternoon, we have 703 fully vaccinated staff and 71 substitutes in our vaccine incentive pool.

As always, masking and other mitigation strategies are encouraged.

Yours In Service,

