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Covid-19 Screening Tool- Student Guidance

Disclaimer: These are general guidelines and as a school district each case is reviewed individually, the New Jersey Department of Health guidelines are updated frequently and are more complex and specific.

Parents/caregivers are our first line of defense against the spread of COVID 19 in our school community. Parents should not send students to school when sick. Students with the following symptoms should remain home from school:

At least 2 of the following symptoms: fever, chills, shivers, muscle aches, headache, sore throat, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, congestion, or runny nose

OR

At least 1 of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, loss of taste or smell.

Additionally, siblings (residing in the same household) of a student who has tested positive for COVID 19 and who are not fully vaccinated should remain home from school.

Exclusion of Students (Isolation)- Students regardless of vaccination status, who test positive for COVID 19 or are exhibiting symptoms but who have not been tested for COVID 19 should:

-Stay home for at least 5 full days after the onset of symptoms or if asymptomatic after the date of the positive test result. (Day 0 is the first day of symptoms or positive test date).

-If the student has no symptoms or the symptoms are resolving after 5 days and he/she is fever-free (without the use of Tylenol, Dayquil, Advil, Excedrin, etcetera) for 24 hours he/she may return to school wearing a mask both in and outdoors for days 6-10. During days 6-10, the student will have limited participation in extracurricular activities. If the student is unable to wear a mask consistently and correctly on days 6-10, he/she will not be able to attend school.

*Alternative Diagnosis- Students with COVID 19 compatible with no known exposure to a COVID 19 positive person in the last 5 days, may return to school with an alternate diagnosis

Exclusion of Students (Quarantine)- Students who have been identified as a Close Contact who have no COVID 19 compatible symptoms will need to stay home from school

-If age 12 or older who completed the primary series of COVID 19 vaccines and have not received the recommended booster shot when eligible

-If not fully vaccinated

Continue to Attend- Students who have been identified as a Close Contact and exhibit no COVID 19 compatible symptoms will continue to attend school:

-If age 12 and older and have received all recommended doses, including a booster

- If age 5-11 and completed the primary series of vaccination doses
- If tested COVID 19 positive using a viral test within the last 90 days
- Get tested at least 5 days after having close contact with someone with COVID 19
- Monitor for COVID 19 symptoms for 10 days from close contact
- On days 6-10 limit participation in extracurricular activities