



## School Health Services

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child is being sent home from school today for the following symptom: (Circled)

- Cough
- Difficulty breathing
- Shortness of breath

Or two or more of the following: (Circled)

- Fever greater than or equal to 100 degrees Fahrenheit
- Nausea or Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Chills
- Muscle aches
- Body shakes
- New loss of taste or smell

Any one of these symptoms alone or in combination indicates a student may have a COVID-19 infection, resulting in immediate medical isolation and student dismissal from school. **This does not mean your child has COVID 19.** In fact, it is much more likely these symptoms are due to another cause such as influenza (the flu), ear infection, common cold or strep throat. Please contact your healthcare provider for further guidance. If your child does not have a healthcare provider, your school nurse/clinic can help you by making a referral.

### Return to School:

**Students with COVID19 like symptoms must have a note from a healthcare provider stating it is safe for them to return to school.**

- For a student with a chronic health condition (like allergies) that have the same signs and symptoms of COVID-19, health care provider clearance is required before returning to school.
- For a student dismissed from school with COVID-19 symptoms who do not provide a safe to return to school note from their healthcare provider, the following must occur prior to school re-entry. The student has had at least 1 day (24 hours) fever free without the use of fever-reducing medications (like Ibuprofen or Tylenol); and improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

Thank you,

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Clinic Staff/School Nurse

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Date