



**COVID-19 HEALTH SCREENING PROTOCOL - THE STUDENT MUST SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child, \_\_\_\_\_, is displaying a sign/symptom(s) of COVID-19, and as a result of our health screening process and determination by the on-site school nurse of possible COVID-19, is being sent home. Below is a list of signs/symptom(s) your child is displaying today.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fever 100° or greater                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle or body aches    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chills                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Headache                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Cough                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing | <input type="checkbox"/> Congested or runny nose |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New loss of taste or smell               | <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea or vomiting      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea                |

Signature of Screening Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_

**Schools must follow the New York State Department of Health and Local Health Department guidelines for returning to school. THE STUDENT MUST SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION. Please see below.**

**IF A COVID TEST IS POSITIVE or the healthcare provider diagnoses a student with COVID-19, the student, AND HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS may return to school when all of the following applies:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> At least <b>3 days</b> have passed since fever ( <i>without the use of fever-reducing medications</i> ); | DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>AND</b> improvement in respiratory symptoms have occurred;  |            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>AND</b> at least <b>10 days</b> have passed since symptoms have first appeared;                       | DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>AND with a Release from Isolation Notice from the Essex County Health Department</b>                  |            |

**IF THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER provides an alternate diagnosis, the student AND HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS may return to school when all of the following applies:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> The student receives negative COVID-19 test results;   | DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>AND</b> they provide a <b>written note from the health care provider</b> that explains the COVID-19 like symptom(s);  |            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>AND</b> they are <b>fever-free for 24 hours</b> ( <i>without the use of fever-reducing medications</i> );   | DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>AND</b> they feel well enough to return to school;  |            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>AND</b> the school nurse has received the written note from the health care provider <b>BEFORE</b> your child is riding the bus or reentering the building. <b><u>Please have the medical office fax the note to the school at 518-546-7895</u></b> |            |

**IF A COVID TEST IS NEGATIVE, OR NOT REQUIRED BY THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AND THERE IS NO PROVIDED ALTERNATE DIAGNOSIS by the health care provider, OR PARENT/GUARDIAN DOES NOT HAVE CHILD TESTED, the student AND HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS may return to school when all of the following applies:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> At least <b>3 days</b> have passed since fever ( <i>without the use of fever-reducing medications</i> ); | DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>AND</b> at least <b>3 days</b> since symptom improvement  | DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>AND</b> at least <b>10 days</b> have passed since symptoms have first appeared                        | DATE _____ |