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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Delaware Department of Education and Delaware Department of Health and Social Services' Division of Public Health (DPH) have asked that we give you information about practices related to COVID-19. Students must stay home if they have any symptoms of COVID-19, have tested positive for COVID-19, or if they were told by DPH to isolate or quarantine. We ask that students and/or their families complete this Home Health Assessment Screening Tool every morning before leaving for school.

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**Home Health Assessment Screening Tool:**

If you answer **YES** to any of the questions below, **DO NOT** send your child to school today and call your child's school nurse and primary care provider.

1. In the past 2 weeks, has your child been in direct contact (within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes) with a person who is positive for COVID-19 or had direct contact with their mucous or saliva?
2. In the past 2 weeks, has your child tested positive for COVID-19?
3. Is your child currently required by DPH to isolate or quarantine?
4. In the last 48 hours, has your child had any of the symptoms below?
  - Fever of 100.4F/38.0C or above or other symptoms like shivering & sweating
  - New cough
  - New trouble breathing, shortness of breath or severe wheezing
  - New chills or shaking with chills
  - New muscle aches
  - Sore throat Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea
  - New loss of smell or taste or a change in taste
  - Fatigue Headache Congestion or runny nose without other known cause such as allergies
  - Any symptoms above plus rash, bloodshot eyes, neck pain, and abdominal pain (Symptoms of Multisymptom Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C)).

Students **MUST** stay home if they answered YES to any of the above questions. Please **DO NOT** send your child to school today. Contact their health care provider and the school nurse. If they are clear for school, remind them to **WEAR A MASK, WASH HANDS FREQUENTLY, & SOCIAL DISTANCE!**

Additional Considerations:

- Students in grades PreK-12 must wear cloth face coverings on the bus and in the school building, except when doing so would affect the student's health (doctor's note required).

Please practice wearing, putting on and taking off a mask with your child. Remind them not to share masks.

- Teach children to wash their hands frequently with soap and running water for 20 seconds.
- Teach children how to blow their nose and to cover coughs and sneezes with tissues or by coughing into the inside of the elbow.
- Teach children to practice physical and social distancing by staying at least six feet away from people other than your family.

If you have questions, please contact your school nurse.

For information or general questions on COVID-19 and prevention, visit the Delaware Health and Social Services', Division of Public Health's website at <https://coronavirus.delaware.gov/> or you can call 2-1-1 or text your ZIP code to 898-211 for deaf and hard of hearing.

**THANK YOU FOR HELPING US TO KEEP OUR SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY SAFE AND HEALTHY!**