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People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever (100.4) or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

This list does not include all possible symptoms. Because some of the symptoms of flu and COVID-19 are similar, it may be hard to tell the difference between them based on symptoms alone, and testing may be needed to help confirm a diagnosis. Please screen your child every morning for these possible COVID-19 symptoms. If your child has symptoms they should not go to school.

If your child exhibits symptoms of possible COVID-19 at school, he/she will be isolated and should be picked up immediately. You should follow up with your child's healthcare provider for further evaluation. Students with a diagnosis other than COVID-19 (strep, norovirus, etc) may return to school per their doctor's instructions. Students sent home with symptoms who test positive for COVID-19 should remain at home for 10 days (day 1 being the first day of symptoms) AND must be fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication on day 10 AND other symptoms must be improving before returning to school. Students sent home with COVID-19 symptoms who DO NOT seek medical evaluation should also follow the above 10 day rule (day 1 being the first day of symptoms) AND must be fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication on day 10 AND other symptoms must be improving before returning to school.

If your child was within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes of a student sent home with possible COVID-19 symptoms (defined as a close contact), you will be contacted to pick up your child. Close contacts should quarantine at home for 10 days unless notified otherwise. Students greater than 3 feet from an infected student do not have to quarantine if BOTH the infected student and close contact were both wearing a mask. In addition, students 12 and older that have taken the COVID-19 vaccination with no symptoms will not have to quarantine.