

COVID Health Screening Reminder

As our school year progresses, it remains important that we are diligent in our health and safety practices both in school and at home. Parents and guardians are reminded to review the following chart closely when monitoring your child for symptoms:

GROUP A (1 or more symptoms)	Group B (2 or more symptoms)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cough• Shortness of Breath• Difficulty Breathing• New Olfactory Disorder<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Loss of smell or way odors are perceived• New Taste Disorder<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Loss of taste or food does not taste the way it normally does	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fever• Chills• Rigors<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Episode in which one's temperature rises quickly and is accompanied by severe shivering and coldness.• Myalgia<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Muscle pains or muscle aches• Headache• Sore throat• Nausea or vomiting• Diarrhea• Extreme fatigue• Congestion/runny nose

If your child is experiencing one symptom from the column on the left or two symptoms from the column on the right (that are not due to a pre-existing condition), we are requiring that one of the following occur:

1. Quarantine from school for 10 days
2. Provide the school nurse a doctor's note that states an alternate diagnosis for the COVID-like symptoms
3. Providing the school nurse with a negative COVID test result

Keep in mind that the child experiencing these Covid-like symptoms **and their siblings** must be held out of school until one of these requirements are satisfied. In addition, if any member of the household has a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19, all students in the home must remain home from school.

While these requirements are inconvenient, it provides our schools the best opportunity to continue to have 5 day a week in-person instruction.

Please note that the direct point of contact for any COVID related questions or reporting of symptoms should be the school nurse. Our nurses have received training to ask the necessary questions so that we can consult with the PA Department of Health for guidance.