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## Daily Student COVID-19 Screenings

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have provided guidance to school districts in regards to daily student COVID-19 screenings. It is recommended that students be screened at home for possible COVID-19 symptoms and potential exposure to COVID-19. In order to reduce the spread of the virus and protect all students and staff, please check your children for the following symptoms and possible COVID-19 exposure before sending them to school each day. If the answer is “yes” to any of the questions below, please keep your child home from school, notify your school nurse, and contact your healthcare provider.

- Does your child have a fever (temperature of 100.4°F or greater) without having taken any fever reducing medications within the last 24 hours?
- Does your child have any of the following symptoms: fever 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, vomiting, or diarrhea?
- Within the last 14 days, has your child had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 10 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19?
- Has your child traveled internationally or to any state with a [travel advisory](#) in the last 14 days?

Upon arrival to school, all children will be screened for a fever. Any child that presents with a fever or COVID-19-like symptoms that cannot otherwise be explained will proceed to the school’s medical isolation area to be assessed by the school nurse and sent home. It is possible that some students have medical issues that present with symptoms similar to COVID-19 symptoms. For example, symptoms of seasonal allergies often include headaches, sore throat and a runny nose. If this is the case for your child, please present a doctor’s note to the school nurse indicating the medical condition and associated symptoms so that your child will not be medically isolated and sent home from school.

We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our MERS community safe and healthy.!

Sincerely,

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