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RE: COVID-19 Testing & District Protocols/Best Practices (Please read carefully)

Dear Florham Park Parents/Guardians and Staff,

In consultation with our Florham Park Health Officer, please be advised of the following district protocols involving your child should he/she receive a COVID-19 test and/or display COVID-19 symptoms.

- If you have decided to voluntarily, or in consultation with your family's physician, have your child tested for COVID-19, and your child **WAS NOT** within close contact with an individual(s) that tested positive for COVID-19 (within 6' for more than 10 consecutive minutes as per NJDOH recommendations) your child must remain at home until your health provider can provide written confirmation that your child may return to school following the test results. Please contact the nurse and inform the principal of your particular situation in order to assist with smoothly transitioning your child to the virtual instructional model during this time.
 - ⇒ *Example: If one of your children or spouse was in close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 individual and that particular child and/or spouse is quarantining due to this close contact, your other child/family members would not have to quarantine unless you chose to have a COVID-19 test performed, as this situation is considered a "Secondary Contact". However, it should be noted that if the person quarantining becomes symptomatic, please contact your health provider and school nurse.*
- If your child **WAS** in close contact with an individual(s) that tested positive for COVID-19 (within 6' for more than 10 consecutive minutes as per NJDOH recommendations), your child **MUST** quarantine for 14 days following their last date of exposure to the individual(s), regardless of testing results. Please contact the nurse and inform the principal of your particular situation in order to assist with smoothly transitioning your child to the virtual instructional model during this time.

Please be reminded of the [CDC Daily Home Screening Chart](#) that we have asked you to perform with your child each morning prior to attending school. Though the District does not require you to submit this form each morning, we continue to expect symptom checks and close contact/potential exposure checks to be performed prior to sending your child to school. To assist with additional questions and scenarios that may arise, please find attached the Daily Screening Assessment Chart developed by the NJDOH that provides more details than the CDC provided Screening chart. Should you have questions regarding the screening chart and/or health related questions, please contact your school's nurse. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation and understanding, and adhering to social distancing guidelines.

Sincerely,

Steven Caponegro

Dr. Steven Caponegro

cc: Mr. Thomas Cantisano, Florham Park Health Officer

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DAILY SCREENING ASSESSMENT

The Florham Park School District is asking each family to monitor their child's temperature and health symptoms at home prior to arriving at school or boarding a school bus on a daily basis to check for COVID-19 related symptoms.

*The guide below by the NJDOH is meant to help with daily checks as related to attending school and should not be used in place of a medical professional. If you believe you or someone in your household has symptoms of COVID-19, you should consult with your primary healthcare provider. If you are in a medical emergency call 911.



Section 1: Symptoms

Any of the symptoms below could indicate a COVID-19 infection in children and may put your child at risk for spreading illness to others. Please note that this list does not include all possible symptoms and children with COVID-19 may experience any, all, or none of these symptoms. Please check your child daily for these symptoms:

Column A

<input type="checkbox"/>	Fever (measured or subjective)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chills
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rigors (shivers)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Myalgia (muscle aches)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Headache
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sore Throat
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nausea or Vomiting
<input type="checkbox"/>	Diarrhea
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fatigue
<input type="checkbox"/>	Congestion or runny nose

Column B

<input type="checkbox"/>	Cough
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shortness of Breath
<input type="checkbox"/>	Difficulty Breathing
<input type="checkbox"/>	New loss of smell
<input type="checkbox"/>	New loss of taste

Students who are sick (e.g. fever, vomiting, diarrhea) should **not** attend school in-person. If **TWO OR MORE of the fields in Column A are checked off** OR **AT LEAST ONE field in column B is checked off**, please keep your child home and notify the school for further instructions.

Section 2: Close Contact/Potential Exposure

Please verify if in the last 14 days:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Your child has had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 10 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19
<input type="checkbox"/>	Someone in your household is diagnosed with COVID-19
<input type="checkbox"/>	Your child has traveled to an area of high community transmission .

If **ANY of the fields in Section 2 are checked off**, your child should remain home for 14 days from the last date of exposure (if child is a close contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case) or date of return to New Jersey. Contact your child's provider or your local health department for further guidance.