



# *Skaneateles Central School District*

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## **Reminders from the Health office**

As we return to school on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> we are keeping students' health and wellness at the forefront. Our school nurses are available to assist students during the school day and will provide resources and answer questions to the best of their abilities. As with mostly everything else our protocols for school will be different this year than they have been in the past. Please take a moment to read through some of the changes that can be expected:

### **Student screening procedures**

#### **Initial screening**

- All students are required to complete a temperature check at home and complete a screening questionnaire daily. The screening questionnaire will be available on the school's website.
  - If a student registers a temperature above 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit or cannot answer yes to all of the questions the student is required to remain home and the student's school contacted for attendance purposes.
  - As per regulations, masks will be required at all times K-12 when movement is required or when 6' of social distance cannot be maintained.

#### **K-5**

- Students that arrive at school are required to wear a mask until their temperature is checked **and** they are appropriately socially distanced (6' or more).
- Students will enter their respective building and report directly to their classroom. Their teacher or another staff member will check their temperature using a non-contact thermometer before allowing entrance into the classroom.
  - Any temperature in excess of 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit will have a 3-5 minute wait time and temperature will be taken again, as per thermometer manufacturer's recommendations.
  - If a student registers a temperature above 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit a second time he/she will be directed to the nurse where his/her temperature will be taken again.
  - If the student's temperature remains above 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit the student will be isolated until the parent/guardian can pick him/her the student will be directed to a supervised waiting area until parents or guardians can pick up.

#### **6-12**

- Students driving, walking or being dropped off will be allowed access to the building no earlier than 7:35 a.m. Students will be required to wear a mask and maintain, in so far as possible, appropriate social distance (6-feet or more).
- Upon entry into their respective building students will have their temperature taken by staff using a non-contact thermometer. Once the student's temperature is taken he/she will be directed to go to the library, cafeteria, or HS gym until 7:45 a.m. After 7:45 a.m. students are permitted to go to their first period class.

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Below a copy of the daily screening questionnaire has been added for your convenience. This questionnaire can also be found on the school district web page:

#### Daily screening questionnaire

- Have you experienced any symptoms of COVID-19, including a temperature of greater than 100.0°F, in the past 14 days?
- Have you tested positive through a diagnostic test for COVID-19 in the past 14 days?
- Have you knowingly been in close or proximate contact in the past 14 days with anyone who has tested positive through a diagnostic test for COVID-19 or who has or had symptoms of COVID-19?
- Have you traveled internationally or from a state with widespread community transmission of COVID-19 per the New York State Travel Advisory in the past 14 days?

#### Hand Washing/Masks/Physical Distancing

As per the NYSDOH Guidance for In-Person Instruction at Pre-K to Grade 12 Schools it is mandated that face covering are worn if physical distancing of 6 feet or more cannot be maintained and that face coverings must be worn on school busses. It is also highly recommended that proper hand washing and/or the use of hand sanitizers takes place frequently throughout the day.

## Stop the Spread of Germs

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.



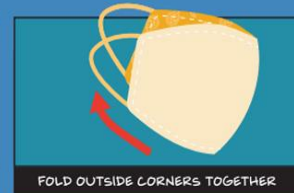
[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

## Wear a Mask to Protect You and Your Friends

### PUT ON



### TAKE OFF



WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN, WEAR A MASK, AND STAY 6 FEET FROM OTHERS.



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## School Absence Due to Sickness

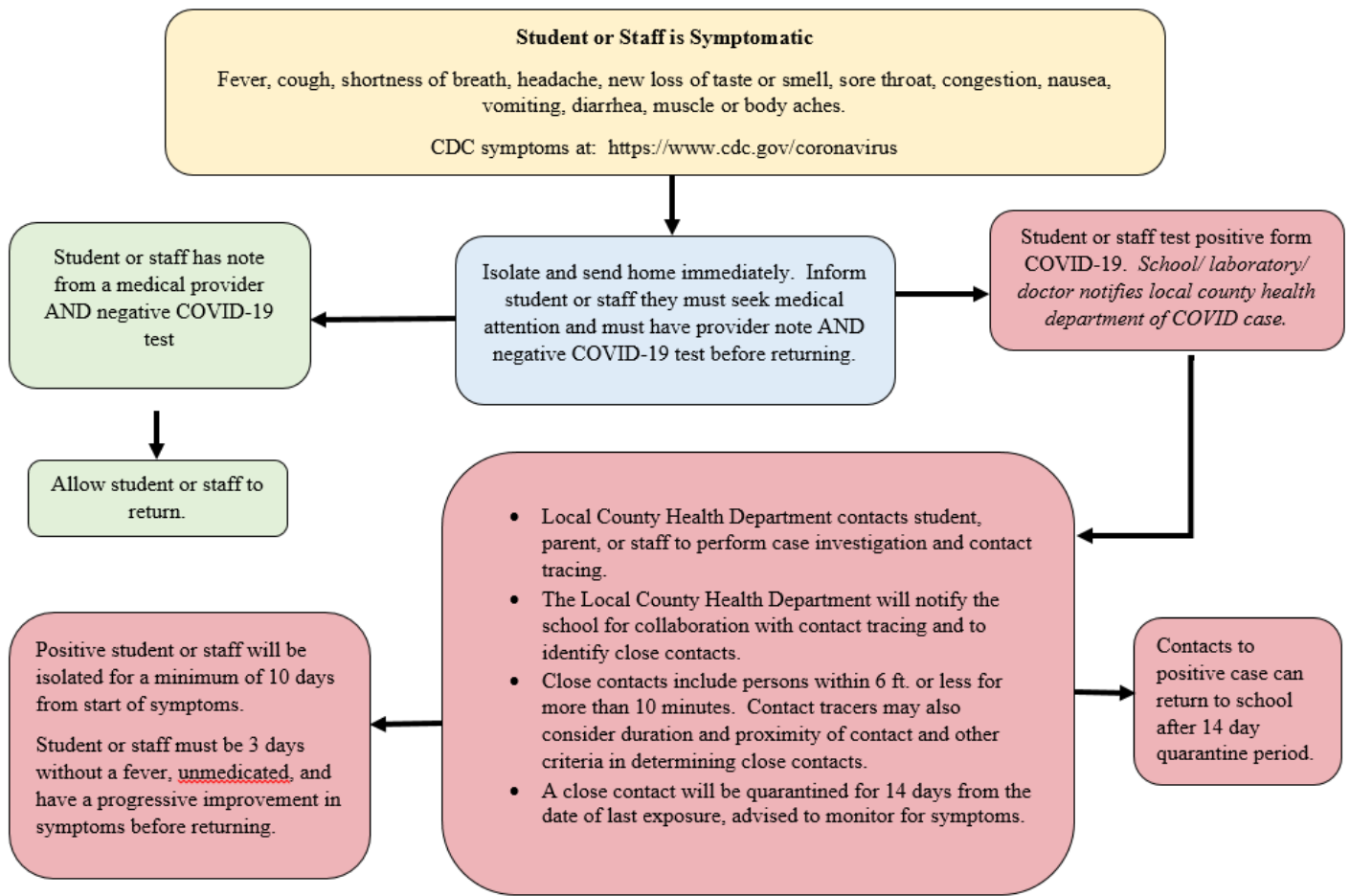
As per current guidance issued by the NYS Department of Health, students/staff that do not feel well or have a temperature greater than 100 degrees Fahrenheit should stay home. Please contact your child's school in case of an absence. NYSDOH guidance mandates that students/staff may return to in-person learning only if:

- There is documentation from a health care provider following an evaluation
- And a negative COVID-19 test result
- And symptom resolution
- Or, if COVID-19 positive, documentation of release from isolation

Students who do not feel well at school should see their building school nurse. Nurses will assess students as they always have. If a student presents as symptomatic after an evaluation by the school nurse, the student will be directed to a supervised waiting area and parents will be required to pick them up. NYSDOH guidance mandates that students/staff may return to in-person learning only if:

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# Protocol for Symptomatic or Positive COVID-19 Student or Staff



*\*As with all guidance, these requirements are under review and subject to change.*