

Dear Parents/Guardian:

As we prepare for the return of in-person learning for our students, we want to share some information with you.

Parents/Guardian will be responsible to self-certify each day that their child is free of all COVID-19 symptoms.

These symptoms include:

Fever (at least 100.4 degrees)	Headache (Moderate to Severe)
Chills	New loss of taste or smell
Cough	Sore throat
Shortness of breath	Congestion/Runny nose
Extreme fatigue	Nausea or vomiting
Muscle or body aches	Diarrhea
Abdominal Pain from unknown cause	

Please note that we are required to send home students who exhibit any of the above symptoms. If your child is sent home or called in sick due to these symptoms, they will be required to stay home for 10 days or until the nurse receives a letter with an alternate diagnosis or a negative COVID-19 test result. Any siblings, who live in the same house, will be required to stay home for 10 days or until the student with symptoms is cleared.

If your child has been exposed to someone who is Covid-19 positive, please do not send them to school. They will need to quarantine for 14 days after being exposed to a Covid-19 positive person regardless if they obtain a negative COVID-19 test. **Please contact the school nurse immediately if you believe your child has been exposed.**

To help assist your child with the return to school and staying healthy please talk with your child about the following healthy habits:

- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, hand sanitizer may be used.
- Cover your cough and sneezes.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a face covering when you are at school or around people.
- Avoid close contact with other students. Try to maintain 2 arms' length distance from other people while at school.

Thank you for your assistance as we begin to make a transition to in-person learning. If we all work diligently to enforce the guidelines above, we can create a safe and healthy environment for our students and staff members.

When a student or staff member is experiencing one or more symptoms of COVID-19, the school will follow the guidelines provided to us from the Illinois Department of Public Health. Links to these guidelines are attached below and will be strictly enforced.

IDPH Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) for Schools

<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/IDPH-School-FAQs.pdf>

COVID-19 Interim Exclusion Guidance

<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/IDPH-COVID19-Exclusion-Decison-Tree.pdf>

Reminders:

October 12:	No School - Columbus Day
October 15 & 16:	Teacher In-service No Student attendance
October 19:	Students return to in person learning M-F 8:00 - 12:00 (Reopening plan posted on district webpage)
October 22 & 23:	Parent Teacher Conferences - No Student attendance (sign up in Skyward, conferences will be remote)