

COVID 19 Response and Communication Protocol 20-21

If a student/staff member exhibits symptoms / answers yes at school to a wellness screening symptom check / informs the school of symptoms/ Informs you of COVID exposure

School nurse will be the primary contact for clarifying if someone is ready to return to school. School Nurse will provide the principal/designee list of students/staff return dates. If principal/designee receives a fax with a return to work/school authorization they will update the school nurse.

SEND TO SCHOOL NURSE IMMEDIATELY

INFORM BUILDING PRINCIPAL IMMEDIATELY

Principal will notify any staff member with exposure to a person with symptoms if someone was sent home sick before the end of the next contract day.

Principal will notify facilities if the student/staff was in a classroom or other school space on the day of exclusion, the space will be disinfected, including the quarantine area

Principal will notify Superintendent

No Further Community, Staff or Student Notice Needed

Notice of COVID POSITIVE CASE

Superintendent notifies:
 a. Principals b. School Board
 c. Communications d. Facilities Director
 i. Discuss if a room will need to be left empty for 24 hours
 ii. Decide if this will result in a temporary cohort room movement or a cohort distance learning for a period of time
 iii. Communications Director sends out all family and all staff notifications that specify a positive case associated with a specific building, and if there are any transitions to distance learning (see below)
 iv. Building Principal notifies teachers impacted by temporary moved class locations or distance learning time period.
 v. Building Principal if needed provides additional information to families with students in quarantine on distance learning.

Talking Points for Principals and Administrators

- Families have been notified if there were positive cases
 - We are not surprised by covid cases; it's in the community and so it can come into the schools as well
- Families have a choice of learning for their child - in person or virtual - and we encourage them to make the best decision for their family
- Families may keep students home, and excuse an absence when there is concern about potential COVID exposure.
 - We share everytime there is a positive case amongst staff or students
 - We reiterate cleaning methods
 - We do NOT share names or details of students/staff testing positive
 - We do share school names of associated cases
 - If pressed for more, re-state one of the above