



SENATOBIA MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents,

Please keep in mind that as long as there are cases of COVID-19 in the community, there are no strategies that will completely eliminate transmission risks within a school population. The goal is to keep transmission risks as low as possible.

For the safety of your children, other students, staff, and extended family members, we are requiring parents to conduct a temperature screening and health check every morning on your child/children at home, prior to sending them to school. If your child exhibits one or more of the following symptoms, please keep him/her at home and contact your healthcare provider: fever over 100.4 degrees, new cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, chills, body aches, muscle pain, unexplained stomach pain, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, unusual rash, or unusual pink/red eyes not explained by allergies or injury.

Symptoms can range from mild to severe illness and appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus that causes COVID-19. If **any** of the above symptoms are detected at school, your child will be isolated from other students and we will contact you to pick up your child as soon as possible. These guidelines will be strictly enforced, so please provide several current, up-to-date phone numbers to your child's school.

Return-To-School guidelines after any of the above symptoms: If your child has or you think he/she has COVID-19, it is important for them to stay away from other people. Following Center for Disease Control guidelines, your child must quarantine for 14 days if they or any of their close contacts test positive for COVID-19. A close contact is considered being within six feet of an infected person for longer than 15 minutes, or living in the same household.

If your child is sent home **by the school nurse** for any of the above symptoms, the following are the return to school guidelines:

- 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared AND all symptoms have resolved including no fever for 24 hrs without the use of medication. Distance learning will be provided while the students are in quarantine.

OR

- A medical statement is provided from your healthcare provider stating that your child does not have COVID-19, is not contagious, and may return to school. This statement must have a return to school date included in order for your child to be able to return to school.

We must all work together to keep our students, our staff, and our community safe. We appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you,

Senatobia Municipal School District Nursing Staff