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1. If a student or staff member presents with **SYMPTOMS of COVID-19** (see checklist), they will be escorted to one of the supervised isolation rooms and properly cared for until transportation has been secured.

Cough

Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Chills

Muscle aches

fatigue

Headache

Sore throat

Loss of taste or smell

Diarrhea

Nausea or vomiting

Congestion or runny nose

Feeling feverish or a temperature equal or greater than 100.4

Close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19

2. Student and staff with symptoms will be excluded from school until:

a. If seen and cleared by a doctor, person can return to school after 24 hours symptom free

b. If unable to see a doctor, person is to self-isolated for 14 days and can return to school after 24 hours of being symptom free without medication AND the person is not presenting any other symptoms.

3. In compliance with all DOH/CDC/NJDOE guidance, a student or staff member who **TESTS POSITIVE for COVID-19** will be readmitted to school under the following conditions:

a. After 10 days have passed since symptom onset and at least 24 hours have passed after resolution of fever without fever reducing medication and improvement in symptoms. Persons who test positive for COVID-19, but who are asymptomatic, should stay home for 10 days from the positive test result.

4. Under the guidance of the Cape May County Department of Health, appropriate staff and families will be notified of close contact exposure and exclusion requirements while maintaining confidentiality. Such communication will be memorialized and available for future reference and/or contact tracing.

5. To assist in contact tracing, the following protocols will be in effect:

a. Students will be grouped and remain in groups for as much of the day as possible.

b. Both the nurse's office and isolation rooms will be supervised at all times; each containing an official ledger that memorializes all events and associated details.

6. Once a student or staff member arrives to school symptom free, they will follow normal protocols for monitoring any signs of sickness. If a person is presenting any symptom associated with COVID-19, the related protocols are immediately enacted.

7. In compliance with all DOH/CDC/NJDOE guidance, a student or staff member who **PRESENTS COVID-19 SYMPTOMS (NOT TESTED)** will be readmitted to school under the following conditions:

a. After 14 days of self-isolation with the last 24 hours fever-free (without medications) AND not presenting any associated Symptoms.

8. In compliance with all DOH/CDC/NJDOE guidance, a student or staff member who **TESTS NEGATIVE for COVID-19** will be readmitted to school under the following conditions:

a. Symptomatic: After 1 day of self-isolation AFTER symptoms go away with the last 24 hours fever-free (without medications) AND not presenting any associated symptoms.

b. Asymptomatic (no COVID-19 in the home): NO self-isolation is Needed.

c. Asymptomatic (COVID-19 in Household or Close Contact): after 14 days of self-isolation beginning from the last known exposure with the person who tested positive for COVID-19. IF, a person becomes

infected from a household member or close contact, the 14 day self isolation period begins AFTER the self-isolation ENDS for the household member or close contact.

9. In compliance with all DOH/CDC/NJDOE guidance, a student or staff member that has recently had **CLOSE CONTACT** with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 will be readmitted to school under the following Conditions:

a. After 14 days of self-isolation with the last 24 hours fever-free (without medications) AND not presenting any associated Symptoms.

10. In compliance with all DOH/CDC/NJDOE guidance, a student or staff member that has recently **TRAVELED to a “hot-spot”** within a 14 day period, will be readmitted to school under the following conditions:

a. After 14 days of self-isolation with the last 24 hours fever-free (without medications) AND not presenting any associated Symptoms.

Parent Support and Assistance for Monitoring:

1. Parents and guardians will be responsible for completing the daily self-assessment (for EACH child) that monitors for symptoms of COVID-19. If a child presents ANY symptom, parents are asked to not have the child attend school until cleared by a medical professional.

Contact Tracing and Classroom/School Closure

1. Policies for contact tracing for COVID-19 will include all current protocols and procedures for contact tracing other infections and remain in compliance with ALL CMC DOH recommendations and mandates.

a. Student A tests positive for COVID-19:

i. Student A is in self-isolation for 10 days.

ii. Associated teachers, students, and bus driver who were NOT within 6 ft of Student A for 10 or more minutes: only have to monitor for Symptoms.

iii. Associated teachers, students, and bus driver who WERE within 6 ft of Student A for 10 or more minutes: must self-isolate for 14 days.

iv. Associated parties are notified; all contact is memorialized for future

reference.

- b. Teacher A tests positive for COVID-19:
 - i. Teacher A is in self-isolation for 10 days.
 - ii. Associated teachers, students, and other staff who were NOT within 6 ft of Teacher A for 10 or more minutes: only have to monitor for Symptoms.
 - iii. Associated teachers, students, and other staff who WERE within 6 ft of Teacher A for 10 or more minutes: must self-isolate for 14 days.
 - iv. Associated parties are notified; all contact is memorialized for future Reference.

- c. 2 positive tests within 14 days from the SAME Classroom:
 - i. School remains open; specific location deep-cleaned.
 - ii. Students and staff in close contact of infected person are excluded from school for 14 days.
 - iii. Specific locations MAY be shut down-determined by investigation of health department

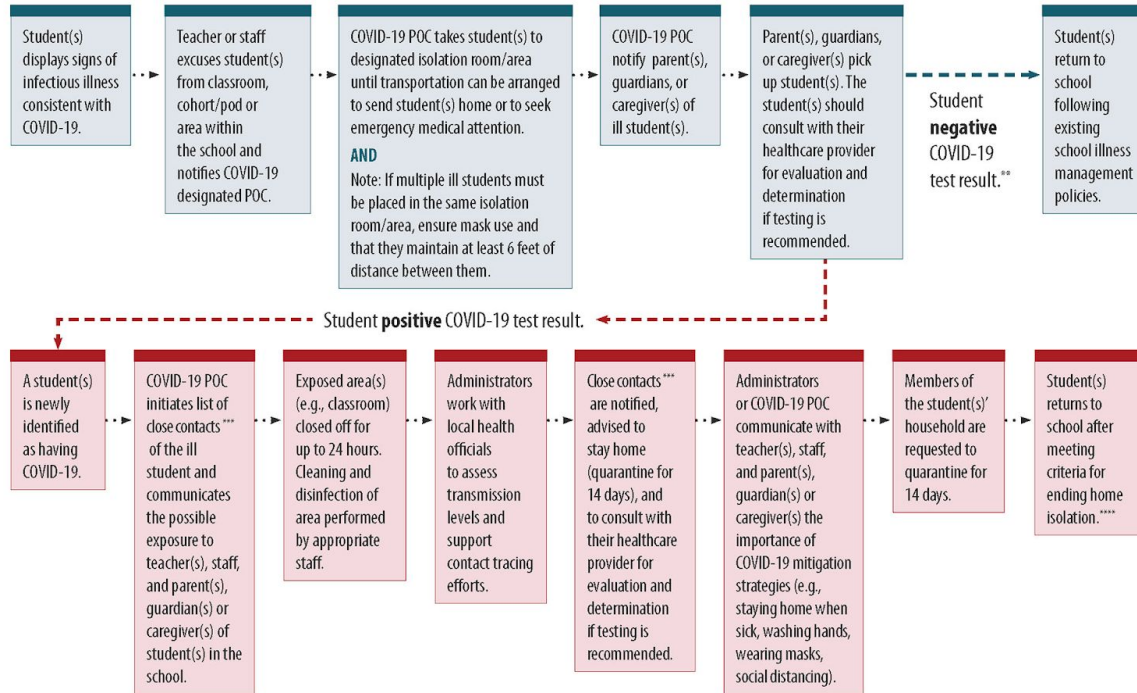
- d. 2 positive tests within 14 days from DIFFERENT Classrooms:
 - i. Specific locations are shut down and deep-cleaned.
 - ii. Students and staff in close contact of infected person are excluded from school for 14 days.
 - iii. School/District MAY be shut down for 14 days-determined by investigation by health department

- e. Community Outbreak or Increase in Transmission Rates that places the community into the Very High Risk Range:
 - i. School/District is closed for 14 days.

Cleaning

1. Areas of the school building on the day a confirmed positive COVID-19 students/staff have contaminated, will immediately be closed off, open outside doors and windows to increase air circulation in the area and wait 24 hours before being cleaned/disinfected.

WHAT TO DO IF A STUDENT BECOMES SICK AT SCHOOL OR REPORTS A NEW COVID-19 DIAGNOSIS*



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Note: COVID-19 POC = the designated point of contact (a staff person that is responsible for responding to COVID-19 concerns, such as a nurse)

* Scenario based on geographic area with community transmission of SARS-COV-2 the virus that causes COVID-19.

** With no known close contact

*** Close contact is defined as someone who was within 6 feet for a total of 15 minutes or more within 2 days prior to illness onset, regardless of whether the contact was wearing a mask.

**** Student can end home isolation after meeting all of the following three criteria: at least 10 days since symptoms appeared, at least 24 hours with no fever-reducing medication, and symptoms have improved.

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