

## Scotia-Glenville CSD Requirements for Return to School

To Parent/Guardian/Faculty/Staff:

New guidance has been issued by the New York State Department of Health for students, faculty and staff who exhibit one or more symptoms of COVID-19. Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fever or chills                             | <input type="checkbox"/> New loss of taste or smell |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cough                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing | <input type="checkbox"/> Congestion or runny nose   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea or vomiting         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle or body aches                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Headache                                    |   |

Any student, faculty or staff member who presents with one or more COVID-19 symptoms at school must go home.

In order to return to work or school **ONE** of the following (3) conditions must be met:

1. A negative COVID-19 (PCR) test, symptoms improving and fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.
2. Health Care Provider (HCP) letter with Alternative Diagnosis (\*) or
3. 10 days have passed since symptom onset, symptoms improving and fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.

If the symptomatic student, faculty or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, their family members/siblings will be excluded from school and parents/guardians will be asked to contact their HCP or Schenectady County Public Health Services (SCPHS).

\* Alternate diagnoses can include a confirmed acute illness (examples: laboratory confirmed influenza or strep throat), or a known chronic condition with unchanged symptoms. If your child has a chronic or pre-existing condition(s) (**seasonal allergies, migraines, irritable bowel**) and **presents at school with symptoms they will still need to see their HCP for evaluation and possibly have a COVID-19 test. To prevent need for future exclusion from school for symptoms of a chronic condition you are encouraged to get a letter from your healthcare provider that includes the following: chronic condition, list of expected symptoms, and management plan.**

**See your School Nurse for list of local COVID-19 testing sites, if any questions feel free to call your School Nurse**