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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Due to the time needed and interruption to education on site health screenings cause, the health department and the CDC does not currently recommend universal symptom screenings of all students' grades K-12 be conducted by schools. Therefore, parents or caregivers are being asked to monitor their children for signs of infectious illness every day prior to sending students to school.

Student Screening

Before leaving for school each day, please conduct the following screening. If your child has any of the following symptoms, that indicates a possible illness that may decrease the student's ability to learn and put them at risk for spreading illness to others.

Symptoms

- ☐ Temperature 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher when taken by mouth.
- ☐ Sore throat
- ☐ **New** uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline)
- ☐ Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- ☐ **New onset** of severe headache, especially with a fever.

Close Contact/Potential Exposure

In the past 14 days has your child:

- ☐ Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19: OR
- ☐ Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with person under quarantine for possible exposure to COVID-19; OR
- ☐ Had international travel or have been on a cruise

If the answer is YES to any of the symptom questions, keep your child(ren) home from school. Please contact the main office as soon as possible to let them know that your child will not be at school that day.

Please note that keeping your child home if they are displaying any symptoms is crucial in keeping staff and students safe. If your child arrives at school displaying any of these symptoms or they become symptomatic while at school, you will be notified and someone will have to pick them up. Students are not allowed to ride the school bus if they are displaying symptoms. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the main office.

Sincerely,

Melisa Akers
CEC Principal