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Student, teacher or staff member with NO known exposure has a temperature >100° OR exhibits new or unusual symptoms of COVID-19:

Fever, chills • Shortness of breath • Sore throat • Loss of taste or smell • Headache • Loss of appetite • Cough • Nasal congestion • Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea • Fatigue • Muscle or body aches

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REGARDLESS of vaccination status, individual must stay home or return home. MCDPH strongly recommends the individual seek an assessment from a health care provider to determine appropriate care.

The following steps are mandated by the New York State Department of Health.



Alternate diagnosis

Individual can return to school with a note signed by their health care provider explaining the alternate diagnosis.

COVID-19 test result is negative:

Individuals can return to school if symptoms are improving and they are fever-free for 24 hrs without fever reducing medication. They must provide a copy of a negative PCR/NAAT **OR Rapid Antigen*** test result or a note from a health care provider confirming the negative result.

COVID-19 test result is positive:

Individual is placed in isolation by MCDPH. Individual can return to school after being released from Isolation by MCDPH.

**COVID Rapid Antigen home tests are not permitted.*

No test/No alternate diagnosis:

Individual may return to school after at least 10 days have passed since date of first symptoms AND Individual's symptoms are improving AND Individual is fever-free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medicines.