# Public Town Hall Meeting

### **COVID-19 SYMPTOMS SCREENING**

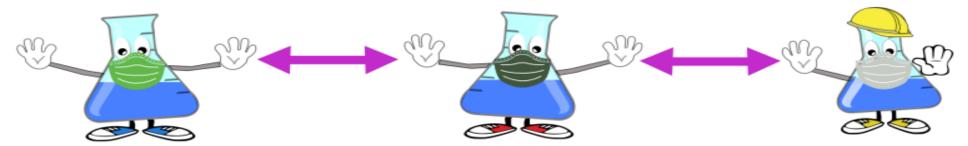
### Symptoms include:

- Fever (100.4 or higher)
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- Sore throat
- Runny nose/congestion
- Chills
- New lack of smell or taste
- Muscle pain
- Nausea or vomiting
- Headache
- Diarrhea

- Parents are encouraged to screen their children daily, <u>prior</u> to sending to school.
- If you child is sick, please call our office and ask to speak to the School Nurse.

### **SOCIAL DISTANCING**

- Where possible, 3-to-6-foot distancing will be maintained.
  - Cafeteria:
    - 3 foot social distancing
    - Students in pods/cohort throughout the day
- Math students are only students who are "intermixed" but social distancing of 3-6 feet will be maintained.
- Theory Rooms:
  - Set up to allow 6 foot distance at all times while seated
- Lab Space
  - When not possible to maintain 6 foot distance, extra precaution will be taken
- Hallways:
  - Minimal traffic in hallways compared to high schools since students are in one program per day.



### **FACE COVERING**

- Currently optional for students who attend SUN, but strongly recommended for those who are unvaccinated, experiencing respiratory illness, or in situations were students are working closely together
- Masking?
  - Clean, disposable mask will be provided to student each day at entry
  - Replacement masks available in program areas and cafeteria if needed

- \*Masking is subject to change dependent on the case numbers statewide and locally.
  - If masking is required due to increase in cases, each student will be provided a disposable mask upon entry into the building.
  - Students with limitations to masking are encouraged to contact the school to determine if a 504 plan can be put into place for masking accommodations.

### PROPOSED QUARANTINE GUIDELINES MODEL #1

 Exposure to a positive COVID-19 case will require a 14-day quarantine period or negative testing results as explained below.

#### **Vaccinated:**

- Begin Quarantine & call SUN Tech school nurse
- COVID-19 testing may be done between 3-5 days after last day of exposure.
- If COVID-19 test is negative, students may return to school with test results the next day.
- If student has COVID-19 symptoms, a return to school note should be provided from a licensed physician in addition to the negative test result.
- If COVID-19 test is positive, students must quarantine for 10 days from the positive test result date.

#### **Unvaccinated:**

- Begin Quarantine & call SUN Tech school Nurse
- COVID-19 testing may be done between 3-5 days after last day of exposure.
- If COVID-19 test is negative, students may return to school 8 days after last exposure, **masked**, with test results.
- If COVID-19 test is positive, student must quarantine for 10 days after positive test result

### PROPOSED QUARANTINE GUIDELINES MODEL #2

 Exposure to a positive COVID-19 case will require a 14-day quarantine period or negative testing results as explained below.

#### **Vaccinated:**

- Notify SUN Tech school nurse & if asymptomatic attend school fully masked.
- COVID-19 testing may be done between 3-5 days after last day of exposure.
- If COVID-19 test is negative, students may return to school with test results the next day and end the mask requirement.
- If student has COVID-19 symptoms, a return to school note should be provided from a licensed physician in addition to the negative test result.
- If COVID-19 test is positive, students must quarantine for 10 days from the positive test result date.

#### **Unvaccinated:**

- Begin Quarantine & call SUN Tech school Nurse
- COVID-19 testing may be done between 3-5 days after last day of exposure.
- If COVID-19 test is negative, students may return to school 8 days after last exposure, **masked**, with test results.
- If COVID-19 test is positive, student must quarantine for 10 days after positive test result

### PROPOSED QUARANTINE GUIDELINES

#### **Self-Positive COVID-19 symptoms / results:**

- If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, you should do the following:
  - Call SUN Tech School Nurse
  - Determine if quarantining and COVID-19 testing is recommended (3-5 days after exposure)
  - Produce negative COVID-19 test results and return to school
  - Positive COVID-19 test results- quarantine for 10 days from positive test result.
  - Return to school on day 11.

- Fully vaccinated close contacts should be referred for COVID-19 testing. If asymptomatic, fully vaccinated close contacts do not need to quarantine at home following an exposure (they can continue to attend school in-person and participate in other activities). In addition to correctly wearing masks in school, they should wear a mask in other indoor public settings for 14 days or until they receive a negative test result.
- Close contacts who are not fully vaccinated should be referred for COVID-19 <u>testing</u>. Regardless of test result, they should quarantine at home for 14 days after exposure. <u>Options to shorten</u> <u>quarantine</u> provide acceptable alternatives of a 10day quarantine or a 7-day quarantine combined with testing and a negative test result.

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. See exception in the definition for the exclusion of students in the K-12 indoor classroom:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/contact-tracing/contact-tracing-plan/appendix.html#contact

#### WHAT TO DO IF A STUDENT BECOMES SICK OR REPORTS A NEW COVID-19 DIAGNOSIS AT SCHOOL<sup>1</sup>

Student(s) shows signs of infectious illness consistent COVID-19.2

Teacher or staff excuses student(s) from dassroom, cohort or area within the school. Alert the COVID-19 POC. If masking is not required at the school, provide student with mask as soon as possible.

COVID-19 POC takes student(s) to isolation room/area and ensures student(s) is properly supervised and masked. The parent, guardian, or caregiver is called. Arrangements are made for student(s) to either go home or seek emergency medical attention.3

Note: If multiple ill students must be placed in the same isolation room/area, ensure mask use and stay at least 6 feet apart while supervised.

Parent, quardian, or caregiver picks up student(s). Parent, quardian, or caregiver contacts healthcare provider for evaluation and possible COVID-19 test.

Note: If a school does not have a routine screening testing program, the ability to do rapid testing on site could facilitate COVID-19 diagnosis and inform the need for quarantine of close contacts and isolation.

Clean and disinfect areas that the ill student(s) occupied. Ventilate the area(s), wait as long as possible before cleaning to let virus particles settle (at least several hours), and use personal protective equipment (including any protection needed for the cleaning and disinfection products) to reduce risk of infection.

Student(s) return to school following existing school illness management policies.

negative COVID-19 test

Student

result.4

Student **positive** COVID-19 test result.

Student(s) diagnosed with COVID-19 and begins home isolation.

COVID-19 POC starts a list of close contacts of the ill student(s) and informs staff, parents, guardians, or caregivers of close contacts of possible exposure.5

COVID-19 POC works with local health officials to assess spread and support follow up with staff, parents, guardians, or caregivers of student(s) that had contact with the ill student(s).6

Parents, guardians, or caregivers of close contacts are advised to keep their children home (quarantine according to local health department requirements) and to consult with the student(s)' healthcare provider for evaluation and possible COVID-19 test.7

Members of the ill student(s)' household and staff who had dose contact with the student are advised to quarantine according to local health department requirements.7

The ill student(s) can return to school and end isolation once the following are met:

- 10 days out from the start of the symptoms, AND
- Fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication, AND
- Symptoms have improved.

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

- <sup>1</sup>Scenario based on geographic area with community transmission of SARS-COV-2 the virus that causes COVID-19.
- <sup>2</sup>The most common symptoms of COVID-19 in children include fever or chills, cough, nasal congestion or runny nose, new loss of taste or smell, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, diarrhea or vomiting, stomachache, tiredness, headache, muscle or body aches, and poor appetite or poor feeding (especially in babies

3 Schools that do not have a universal mask requirement could require masking by students, teachers, and staff if they are experiencing onset of upper respiratory infection symptoms at school while waiting to be picked up or leave the school.

<sup>4</sup>With no known close contact.

- <sup>5</sup>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. See exception in the definition for the exclusion of students in the K-12 indoor classroom: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/ contact-tracing/contact-tracing-plan/appendix.html#contact
- <sup>6</sup>To the extent allowable by applicable laws regarding privacy.
- <sup>7</sup>CDC quidance provides that people who are fully vaccinated and do not have COVID-19 symptoms do not need to quarantine, but should get tested after an exposure to someone with COVID-19.

cdc.gov/coronavirus

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https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view

