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School Nurse COVID-19 Protocols for 2021-2022

- Health Office Visits: When a student presents to the health office with symptoms of COVID, the student will be asked to wear a surgical mask (if a student is wearing a cloth mask we will provide them a surgical mask) to aid in the prevention of further transmission of illness.
- Absence: Students will be asked to stay home when ill and students will be encouraged to have COVID 19 testing.
 - Students will be provided COVID-19 testing information
 - Students declining testing will be excluded from school for 10 days based upon DHHS recommendations
- Positive COVID 19: If a student or household member tests positive for please notify the school nurse and follow the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services. (NHDHHS) quarantine guidance.
- Quarantine: The following information relates to quarantine:
 - Community/School Setting:

NHDHHS will not quarantine classrooms and is not requiring quarantine of individuals exposed to COVID-19 in the community when there is no evidence of an outbreak. The current guidance notes that those exposed to COVID should monitor for symptoms. <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/self-observation-covid.pdf>

- NHDHHS does note if “clusters” of cases occur in classrooms they will work with schools and students will be asked to quarantine at home.

- Household Contacts:

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/self-quarantine-covid.pdf>

- Quarantine Chart:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lm08utwVL5wwHV40B7kDyQ0yERb3h-VIHq0mJOu3UXU/edit?usp=sharing>

These practices are noted in the School Childcare Toolkit for 2021/2022 located here:

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/school-childcare-toolkit-2021-2022.pdf>

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