

**Charles County Public Schools COVID-19
Pre-screening Questionnaire
2-23-2021**

Dear Parents:

To ensure the highest level of health and safety in Charles County Public Schools (CCPS) buildings, we ask parents to check their child's health status before coming to school. We are implementing safety measures beyond cleaning and sanitizing as we allow more employees and children into our schools.

By sending your child to the school, you indicate you have screened your child, and he/she is not a potential positive COVID-19 case. Any child who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the past two weeks, who is suffering from an upper or lower respiratory illness, or had close contact with an ill person who has tested positive for COVID-19 should stay home.

“Close contact” is defined as being within six feet of a positive person for more than 15 minutes during a 24-hour period. Close contact would include sharing a drink or utensils, kissing, hugging, or having a sick person coughing or sneezing directly on you.

People with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), people experiencing the symptoms listed below may have COVID-19. The most common symptoms of COVID-19 for school-aged children are a fever and cough. If your child displays two or more of the following symptoms, please keep your child at home and contact your family medical care provider. The CDC suggests parents should pay particular attention to the symptoms labeled with an asterisk *.

* New uncontrollable cough that causes difficulty breathing	Y/N
* Fever or chills (over 100.4 degrees)	Y/N
*Stomachache	Y/N
*Headache, especially with a fever	Y/N
*Sore throat	Y/N
*Nausea or vomiting	Y/N
*Diarrhea	Y/N
Fatigue	Y/N
Muscle or body aches	Y/N
New loss or change in your ability to taste or smell	Y/N
Congestion or runny nose	Y/N

We will ask parents to remove any child from the center and school building within 60 minutes if they become ill.

If your child tests positive for COVID-19 and has been to school within the four days before the test or displaying symptoms, please contact the school immediately.

Students may not return to school for at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever or other symptoms without the use of medicines.

Parents who knowingly send students suffering from two or more COVID-19 symptoms jeopardize their student's ability to remain on in-person instruction. CCPS may remove a student from in-person instruction if a parent or student does not abide by CCPS policies.

CCPS, in partnership with the Charles County Department of Health, has purchased re-usable thermometers. Each household can receive up to two thermometers per student. If you need a thermometer, please contact your child's school.

Sincerely,
Jason Stoddard
Director, School Safety and Security