

Hartford School District Daily COVID-19 Screening For School Admittance

DAILY SCREENING: Each day before going to school or getting on the bus, parents/guardians must review the following with their child and check their child's temperature.

1. Have you been in close contact with anyone who has COVID-19 within the last 14 days?
2. Do you feel unwell with any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 (see list below)?
3. Temperature check. Temperature must be below 100.4° F without the use of fever reducing medications such as Motrin/Ibuprofen or Tylenol/Acetaminophen.
4. Has any member of your household traveled outside of VT? If yes, have they followed the current VT Department of Health quarantine guidelines?

If the answer to any of the questions is “yes” and you have not followed quarantine guidelines OR if your child has a temperature of 100.4° F or higher, they CANNOT go to school. Please call your child's healthcare provider to ask about testing and see the criteria to return to school below.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19: These symptoms may range from mild to severe and appear within 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. **Anyone experiencing the following symptoms may have COVID-19 and should not come to school.** Please call your healthcare provider for guidance. Students who present with these symptoms at school will be sent home immediately.

<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Fever or chills● Cough● Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing● Sore throat● Headache● Fatigue	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Muscle or body aches● New loss of taste or smell● Congestion or runny nose● Nausea or vomiting● Diarrhea● New, significant rash
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RETURN CRITERIA: If a student answers “yes” to the screening questions, has a fever, or is sent home with any symptom on the list above, they cannot return to school until the following criteria are met:

- They are fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications **AND**
- Symptoms have improved **AND**
- It has been 10 days since symptoms first appeared. **OR**
- If your child is able to get tested for COVID-19, they can return to school if their test result is negative and they have no symptoms.

In the absence of written documentation of a negative COVID-19 test performed AFTER a student is sent home from school, a student may return to school with a note from his/her healthcare provider or after completion of a period of isolation as mandated by Vermont Department of Health and CDC guidelines (see link below). ***Please note this criteria may change per Vermont Department of Health recommendations.** Healthy students and staff with the following symptoms/conditions are not excluded from inperson school activities:

- students or staff with documented allergy symptoms (with no fever) that cause coughing and clear runny nose may stay if they have medically diagnosed allergies and follow medical treatment plans
- students or staff with documented well-controlled asthma with medical treatment plans

https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/COVID-19-chart-observation-isolation-quarantine_final.pdf
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>