

Summarization of Department of Health Conference Call 8/13/20

I. Covid-19 Symptoms

All Individuals (students, faculty, staff) who report to the office during the school day with any signs or symptoms of illness will receive a temperature check and asked to report any/all symptoms they may be experiencing.

Symptoms that will necessitate an individual to be isolated and sent home:

- Fever of 100 degrees or higher
- Shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, cough
- Body aches
- Loss of taste/smell
- Fatigue/Lethargy
- Sore Throat
- Nausea with Diarrhea

Symptoms that will require additional screening (ie. Temperature check, Questions, History)

- Congestion/Runny nose
- Headache
- Upset stomach
- Etc.

If an individual is required to go home due to symptoms they will be placed in an isolation room until transportation has been contacted and arrived. Individuals sent home due to symptoms of Covid-19 may not return to the school until they have documentation of a negative Covid-19 test and symptom resolution. If the individual tests positive for Covid-19 they cannot return until they are released from quarantine by the Department of Health (DOH). If a test comes back positive please contact the school or school official immediately.

If an individual's symptoms are in the "require additional screening" category, they are not accompanied by a temperature of over 100 degrees, and additional questioning determines they are not presenting symptoms of Covid-19 they will be allowed to remain in the building. Regardless of the scenario, each time a student comes to the office due to illness a parent will be contacted and briefed.

*Note: Individuals that are known to have pre-existing conditions that present symptoms similar to those of Covid-19 or have a chronic history of illnesses that present symptoms similar to those of Covid-19 will have this medical history taken into account when assessed in the office. It is recommended that those with pre-existing conditions or chronic symptoms have their family physician document this information for their file.

II. Positive Screening

Each day all individuals entering the building will have their temperature check. All adults will take a daily questionnaire and students will complete questionnaires at random weekly. If a person has a positive screen due to temperature or symptoms the protocol outlined in section I. will be followed.

If a person has a positive screen due to answering “Yes” to questions dealing with direct contact with a Covid-19 positive person, having tested positive for Covid-19(14 days), or traveling to areas on the NYS travel advisory list(14 days) will be required to quarantine at home per the DOH guidelines.

- A person who tests positive for Covid-19 is required to quarantine for 10 days
- A person who has been in direct with a Covid-19 positive person is required to quarantine for 14 days
- A person who lives in the same household as a Covid-19 positive person and cannot separate from them are required to quarantine for the 10 days the Covid-19 positive person is in quarantine and then an additional 14 days from day 10 of the original quarantine.

III. Protocol for a positive Covid-19 case

If a student, faculty member, or staff member tests positive for Covid-19 the school community will be notified and the following protocol will be enacted :

- The school will shut down for a minimum of 24 hours.
- The Department of Health will be notified.
- The school will receive a deep cleaning.
- The DOH will perform contract tracing, work with those individuals/families on next steps, and advise if the school should remain closed longer or may re-open following the initial 24 hour shut down.

To report a positive case to the school please contact any one of the following people:

- Mr. Lee Filbert, Assistant Principal, lee.filbert@walshstcs.org
- Mr. Eric DiMartino, Business Manager, eric.dimartino@walshstcs.org
- Mr. Manko, School President and Principal at thomas.manko@walshstcs.org

IV. Covid-19 Testing Availability Information

DOH Portal – www.cattco.org

Quick Links – Covid Diagnostic Center

10:00am-1:00pm Monday-Friday

716-938-2268 or 716-938-9119

Urgent Care – Well Now

Appointment or Walk in

8:00am-8:00pm Monday-Sunday

716-379-6507 or www.wellnow.com/covid19

*Information provided by Dr. Shomita Steiner, Cattaraugus County Department of Health

