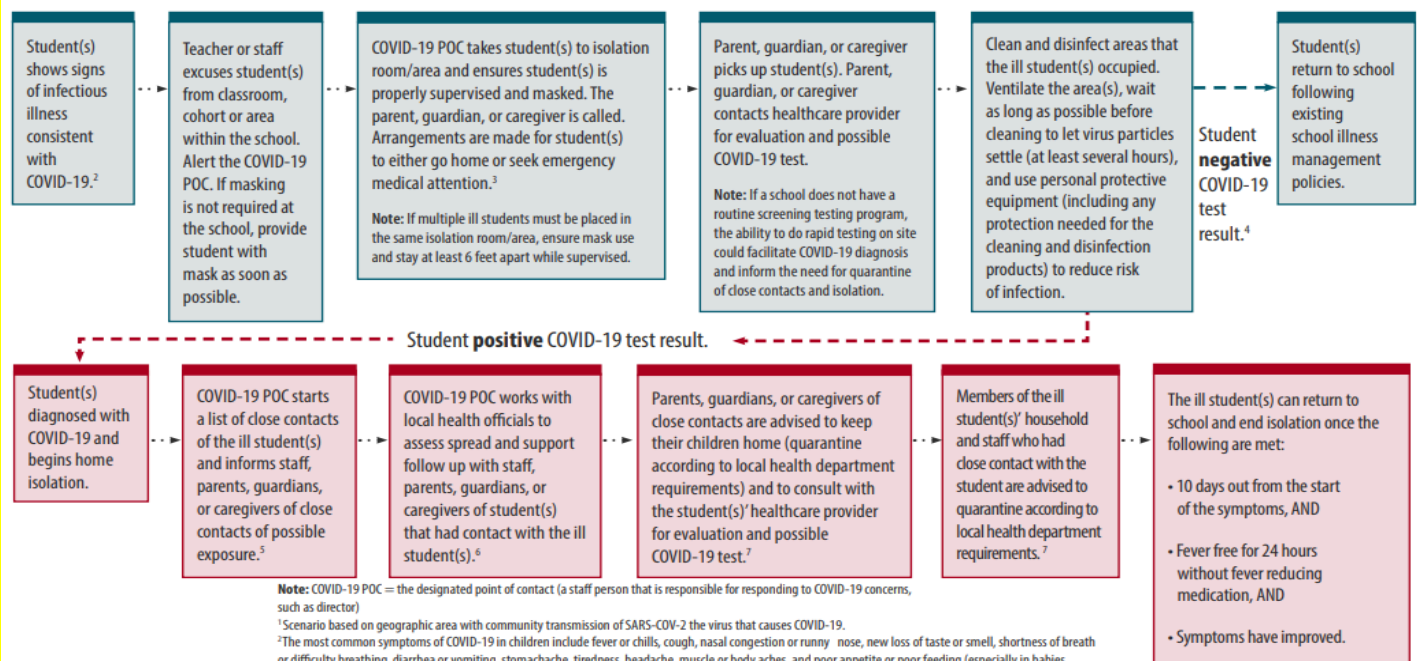


As we approach the start of the 2021-2022 school year, we want to ensure the most up to date and timely information is shared with you regarding the opening of schools. Attached to this email is the Sidney Central School District Reopening Plan Addendum. Below is a summary of the addendum.

- All students, grades K-12 will be attending five days per week of in-person instruction.
- There will not be a health screening (i.e., questions or temperature check) for staff, students, or visitors.
- Face coverings for all students and staff while on district transportation.
- Face coverings for all staff, students, and visitors beginning Monday, August 30, 2021
 - Whenever within 6 feet of another person
 - In hallways
 - In common areas (entrances, exits, lobbies, etc.)
 - When moving about inside school buildings
 - In restrooms
 - In other congregate settings
- No face coverings are required while outside (staff are encouraged to take students outside).
- Face covering breaks will be built into the school day on a regular basis as determined by the teacher(s).
- Physical Distancing - maintaining at least 3 feet of physical distance between students within the classroom setting, whenever possible.
 - 6 feet of physical distance between students while singing or playing a wind instrument.
- Students will be eating lunch in the cafeterias and large areas (not classrooms)
- Please see table below for the return to school after COVID-19 or illness protocols

WHAT TO DO IF A STUDENT BECOMES SICK OR REPORTS A NEW COVID-19 DIAGNOSIS AT SCHOOL¹



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

¹Scenario based on geographic area with community transmission of SARS-CoV-2 the virus that causes COVID-19.

²The 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 under 1 year old).

³Schools 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.

⁴With no known close contact.

⁵Close 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>

⁶To the extent allowable by applicable laws regarding privacy.

⁷CDC guidance 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.



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