

Daily Health Screener Reminder

Hello Rochester School Community, this is your superintendent, Kyle Repucci here with a brief reminder in the hopes of eliminating or at the very least mitigating school-based quarantines and transitions in and out of remote learning.

Staying home when you are sick is one of our best ways to fight COVID-19. Keeping sick children and children who are exposed to COVID-19 away from others helps stop the spread of the virus to other children, staff, and the surrounding community.

We need your help and it all starts with home screening. The daily screener is posted on all of our school websites and we have added an important reminder to the screener. If a member of your household is in the process of getting a COVID-19 test, or awaiting test results because they are experiencing symptoms of Covid-19 and have also had exposure to someone with Covid-19, or have traveled outside of New England, **we ask that you do not send your children to school.** This means if anyone in your household is in the process of COVID-19 testing (which includes planning to get a test or waiting for test results) **all children and siblings remain at home until a negative result is confirmed.**

If your student is identified as a close contact in our schools, you will be contacted through our Nursing Department. Anyone exposed to COVID-19 as a close contact can get the disease anywhere from 1 to 10 days after their last contact with the infected person. Your child must stay home 10 days (quarantine) in case they get sick with COVID-19. The 10 days starts from the day of their last contact with the person with COVID-19. Students who cannot come to school due to illness or quarantine are able to access their school work through Google Classroom.

If you have any medical questions pertaining to COVID-19 and your students, please feel free to reach out to your school nurse.

In closing, thank you for your flexibility and patience during these uncertain times. Your support and understanding have been vital during these last few months, and we will continue to take all the necessary precautions in order to protect the health and safety of our community. This remains our top priority.

Be well and thank you for your support.