What happens when my child is sick?

What happens at home:

Monitor your child(ren) with the daily home screening checklist on the back of this poster!

Parents/guardians should monitor their child's health daily to ensure there is no sign of infectious illness.

If your child is sick and/or showing signs of illness, they should not attend school in-person. The Stark County Health Department recommends that siblings of the sick child should also stay home as well. Please communicate with your district for your child's attendance.

Parents/guardians should schedule a telehealth visit with their primary care physician or community health center.

If your child is diagnosed with COVID-19, please contact the school district and the Stark County Health Department. Your child should remain isolated for 10 days from symptom onset at home and separated from others. The household should also quarantine for 14 days. (see Contact Tracing poster at StarkHealth.org)

What happens at school:

School districts who see a sick student during the school day should first isolate the student in a designated area from other students and staff. Schools should follow current protocols for letting parents or guardians know their child is sick and sending them home.

Any staff members or students in contact with the student should be notified to monitor their symptoms. If they become sick, they should stay home and monitor symptoms. Staff and students will also be notified if the sick student has been diagnosed with COVID-19. At that time, protocols for isolation and quarantine should be taken.

Students who answer YES to questions in Sections 1 and 2 of the Daily Home Screening Checklist, should be isolated into a designated area by themselves and parent or guardian should be notified to pick up the student. School officials should recommend sending the student to a healthcare facility based on the severity of the symptoms.

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Daily Home Screening Checklist

Section 1: Symptoms
If your child has any of the following symptoms, it may indicate a possible illness that may decrease the student's ability to learn and also put them at risk for spreading an illness to others. Please check your child for these symptoms daily.

- Temperature of 100 degrees or higher
- Sore throat
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline)
- Diarrhea
- New onset of severe headache
- Nausea or vomiting
- Abdominal pain
- Muscle or body aches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Runny nose
- Congestion

Section 2: Close Contact/Potential Exposure

- Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19
- Traveled to a hot spot in the United States according to the travel advisory at Coronavirus.Ohio.gov or an international hot spot according to travel guidance on CDC.gov (subject to change daily or weekly)

Notes: 

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IMPORTANT*: 

If a student answers YES to any of the questions in Section 1 and YES to any of the questions in Section 2, the student should be referred for evaluation to their health care provider and be called off from school.

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