

Appendix E

Critical Area of Operation #5 - Screening, PPE, and Response to Students and Staff Presenting Symptoms

Appendix E includes the locally developed protocols addressing or exceeding the anticipated minimum standards as required by the NJDOE Guidance and referenced in the Board's Plan – Section A.1.e., including, but not limited to:

- a. Screening Procedures for Students and Staff
 - ✓ Students, parents, and all staff will be educated so that all persons understand how to identify the symptoms related to COVID-19.
 - ✓ Educating the school community will include videos, presentations, daily and weekly communications from district and building-level leadership to ensure the safety of all school community members.
 - ✓ will be asked to take their own temperature each day prior to going to work. They should contact their direct supervisor and building level school nurse if they experience any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 like symptoms. Staff are also asked to consult their health care provider.
 - ✓ Parents must sign a COVID-19 screening waiver that will confirm their agreement to self-monitor their child(ren), including a temperature check, in the home prior to getting on any district vehicle or entering a district facility.
 - ✓ Staff will visually check students upon arrival for COVID-19 symptoms. If the visual screening indicates possible COVID-19 symptoms, the student will be sent to the school nurse for further assessment and the visit will be recorded. Temperature checks must be completed safely and respectfully. Temperature checks and screenings that include students with disabilities will take into account the specific needs of those students.
 - b. Protocols for Symptomatic Students and Staff: The following flowcharts entitled "Student Screening Flowchart", and "Staff Screening Flowchart" provide guidance in dealing with symptomatic students and staff.

COVID-19 Student Screening Flowchart

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This flowchart will be used for nursing staff to provide guidance on students who may present to the health office sick bay with COVID-19 or MIS-C like symptoms. This does not replace judgement based on identified findings or case by case nursing assessment.





COVID-19 RETURN TO SCHOOL FLOWCHART

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Children and staff who are COVID-19 positive or who have symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and have not had a medical evaluation or COVID-19 test must not return until they have met the criteria for discontinuing home isolation	Individuals who have symptoms of COVID-19 AND: have tested positive (by PCR, rapid molecular or antigen testing) OR have not been tested (i.e. monitoring for symptoms at home)	 Should stay home and away from others until: At least 10 days have passed since their symptoms first appeared AND They have had no fever for at least 24 hours (one full day without the use of medicine that reduces fever) AND Symptoms have improved (e.g. cough, shortness of breath)
Individuals with an alternate diagnosis that would explain the reason for	Individuals who have NO symptoms and have tested positive	Should stay home and away from others until: 10 days have passed from the collection date of their positive COVID-19 diagnostic test AND they have not developed symptoms.
theirsymptom(s) should: Stay home and follow the <u>NJDOH</u> School Exclusion List for the	Individuals who have symptoms and have tested negative	Should stay home and away from others until: 24 hours after their fever has ended without the use of fever reducing medications and other symptoms improve.
diagnosed illness. If symptoms related to an alternate diagnosis change or worsen, the	Individuals who are identified as a close contact* of a confirmed case	 Should: Self-quarantine and monitor for symptoms for 14 days from the last date of exposure with the confirmed case, even if contact tested negative.
Met	For Special Education and Childcare the small group/cohort of the symptomatic person should also be sent home.	Contacts should be instructed to quarantine and mayretum: If the ill person tests positive - after 14 days from the last exposure and no symptoms develop. OR After the ill person has an alternate diagnosis that would explain the symptoms. OR After the ill person tests negative.
No Criteria Yes Contact School Nurse Contact School Nurse/Return to School	If a case of COVID-19 infection occurs in one defined group within the center, the ill person should be sent home.	Response: Other staff and children in the group would be considered close contacts of that case and must be quarantined in their homes for 14 days. AND Public health, parents/guardians, and staff facility-wide should be informed of the situation. AND The CDC guidance for cleaning and disinfection should befollowed.

In consultation with GCHD on 7/28/2020 and New Jersey Department of Health COVID-19 Guidance for Reopening Childcare, July 20, 2020

c. Protocols for Face Coverings

COVID-19 <u>spreads</u> mainly from person to person through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, talks, or raises their voice (e.g., while shouting, chanting, or singing). These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs. WTPS requires all students, teachers, staff, and administrators to wear a face covering throughout the entire school day and reminded of the following: ✓ Make sure your cloth face covering:

- o fits snugly but comfortably against the side of the face
- completely covers the nose and mouth
- \circ is secured with ties or ear loops
- includes multiple layers of fabric
- allows for breathing without restriction
- $\circ~$ can be laundered and machine dried without damage or change to shape
- ✓ Wear your Face Covering Correctly
 - Wash your hands before putting on your face covering
 - Put it over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin
 - Try to fit it snugly against the sides of your face
 - \circ Make sure you can breathe easily
- ✓ Wear a Face Covering to Protect Others
 - $\circ~$ Wear a face covering that covers your nose and mouth to help protect others in case you're infected with COVID-19 but don't have symptoms
 - Wear a face covering in public settings when around people who don't live in your household, especially when it may be difficult for you to stay six feet apart
 - \circ $\,$ Wear a face covering correctly for maximum protection $\,$
 - Don't put the face covering around your neck or up on your forehead
 - $\circ~$ Don't touch the face covering, and, if you do, wash your hands or use hand sanitizer to disinfect
- ✓ Take Off Your Cloth Face Covering Carefully, When You're Home
 - Untie the strings behind your head or stretch the ear loops
 - Handle only by the ear loops or ties
 - Fold outside corners together
 - Place covering in the washing machine (learn more about <u>how to wash</u> <u>cloth face coverings</u>)
 - Be careful not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth when removing and wash hands immediately after removing.
- ✓ The WTPS district will provide all teachers and staff members with 1-2 cloth face coverings.



- ✓ The WTPS district will provide all nurses and health office assistants N95 masks, regular face masks, face shields, plastic gowns, and gloves to protect themselves.
- ✓ Any teacher or staff member working with a specialized population of students that requires close contact will be provided, by the district, face masks, face shields, plastic gowns, and gloves as appropriate.
- ✓ All custodial staff will be provided face masks, face shields, gowns, and gloves as needed to clean and sanitize the buildings safely.