



Dear TPS Parents and Guardians:

Welcome back to school and the beginning of the 2020-21 school year. As you can imagine, our procedures will look different this year because of COVID-19. As we work to keep everyone safe and healthy, we are asking for the following help:

1. Do a health assessment each day before sending your student to school. If you need assistance getting a thermometer, please call your school. We ask that you also monitor for the following symptoms:
  - a. Fever
  - b. Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing
  - c. Cough
  - d. Sore throat
  - e. Congestion/runny nose
  - f. Body aches/muscle aches
  - g. Chills
  - h. Fatigue
  - i. Headache
  - j. Nausea or vomiting
  - k. Diarrhea
  - l. New loss of taste or smell
2. **If your student has any of the above symptoms, he or she must stay home for 10 days** OR have a signed note from your health care provider that he or she is not contagious and can return to school.
3. **If someone living in your home is positive for COVID 19, your student will need to quarantine at home.** The quarantine timeline of 14 days starts 10 days after the symptoms appeared in the family member with COVID-19. Please contact the school nurse for a return date.
4. It is important for you to know that students with any signs or symptoms of COVID 19 will be sent home immediately.
5. Make sure your phone numbers and emergency contacts are current.
6. If you cannot get to school to pick up your ill student, identify a dependable person that can pick them up.
7. Because COVID-19 spreads through respiratory droplets, we will be unable to provide any type of aerosol (nebulizer) treatments at school. Please discuss this with your child's doctor for an alternative option for his or her medication.

We understand this is a confusing and anxious time. Please feel free to reach out to your school nurse with any questions or concerns and/or call the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department COVID Hotline at (419) 213-4161.