

UPDATE M-1: A NOTE FROM YOUR SCHOOL NURSE

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome Back to School!!!

Please take the time to read this very important update from the school health offices. The information below is also linked in the Brookfield Broadcast Newsletter as well as the District Opening Plan.

WHEN YOUR STUDENT VISITS THE SCHOOL NURSE:

- The teacher will call the nurse's office prior to sending your student to the clinic. This will decrease clinic congestion and help prevent potential exposure to any infectious illness.
- When a student arrives at the clinic their temperature will be taken and a nursing assessment will be done.
- If your student has a temperature of 100.0 degrees fahrenheit or greater, and/or upon assessment exhibits any [signs/symptoms of COVID-19](#), he/she will be sent to the isolation room where your student will wait for parent/guardian or emergency contact pickup.
- The isolation room will be monitored by either a nurse or staff member.
- We request that you pick up your student **within one hour** of being contacted.
- In the isolation room your student will need to wear a mask.

CONTACT INFORMATION

- Please be sure your contact information in your student's portal is up to date, including a **local** emergency contact who is available to pick up your student.
- If you are having difficulty updating information, contact your child's school main office and someone will assist you.

ATTENDANCE AND ILLNESS

- If your student will be absent, notify the school's attendance office via email.
- Your school nurse will follow up with you if your student is absent for a medical reason.
- Any student who is COVID-19 Positive: STAY HOME. Notify the building principal and school nurse immediately.
- Any student identified as a close contact to a COVID positive person: notify the school nurse.
 - Each morning, observe and assess how your child is feeling before they come to school--if he/she is not feeling well, STAY HOME and contact their healthcare provider.
 - Temperature 100.0 degrees fahrenheit or greater--STAY HOME and contact their healthcare provider.
 - Return to school guidelines: [I Have COVID Symptoms When Can I Return to School](#)

VACCINATIONS

- Provide documentation to the school nurse if your student has been fully vaccinated for COVID 19.
- [Click here](#) for how to get a COVID vaccination in Connecticut
- We also encourage you to keep up with any mandated immunizations required for school attendance and provide a copy to your school nurse

MEDICATION

- Arrange a day and time with your school nurse to drop off medication(s)
- Each medication requires a separate written order from the physician
- An ADULT must drop off medication(s) in the original box and completed physician's written order
- The bus company will be made aware if your student will be self carrying epinephrine and/or inhaler
- Due to COVID, nebulizer treatments cannot be used at school

FACE MASKS

- Masks with valves, masks made of mesh, gaiters and bandana type masks are not allowed
- Provide extra masks each day in your student's backpack
- Launder cloth face masks daily

BUS TRANSPORTATION

- School buses are considered public transportation and therefore a face mask is required.

CT TRAVEL ADVISORY

- <https://portal.ct.gov/coronavirus/travel>

We request that you provide the following self care items for your child to keep in their backpack:

ALL SCHOOLS:

- Lip balm
- Water Bottle (no spill type)
- Hand cream or lotion
- Snack
- Tissues
- At least 2 extra face masks in a ziploc bag

CES and HHES :

- A change of clothes in a labeled ziploc bag

HHES, WMS and BHS :

- Feminine products if needed

By working together, we can all help to support a healthy school community!

Stay well,

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