

SEATTLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS COVID-19 NOTICE FOR IN PERSON LEARNING OR SERVICES

Student Name: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

The novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") has been classified by the World Health Organization as a global pandemic and has spread throughout Washington. COVID-19 is a new disease and the state of scientific and medical knowledge regarding COVID-19 is limited and evolving. There are many unknowns regarding how the disease is spread and contracted. COVID-19 is highly contagious and spread easily from person to person. **COVID-19 may result in serious illness, debilitating injury, or death.** Older adults and people of any age, including children, who have serious underlying medical conditions might be at higher risk for severe illness or death from COVID-19.

Seattle Public Schools (SPS) is continuing to offer remote instruction to all of its students at this time. Some students may be allowed to begin to return to school in phases for in-person learning or services. Any in-person learning or services being offered to your student is optional and is not required at this time. SPS has taken measures to try to reduce the spread of COVID-19 on its facilities. However, it is not possible to guarantee that COVID-19 is not present, nor to prevent you or your child from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19. By entering SPS facilities, including your child's school, you and your child may be exposed to the risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

If your student has an underlying health condition that might increase the risk for severe illness in children (see CDC link below), you are strongly encouraged to consult with your child's healthcare provider regarding your student's return to in-person learning. The District welcomes partnering with families and healthcare providers to develop a health plan for in-person learning."

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/children/symptoms.html#higher-risk>

Any students coming to school in person must comply with the Department of Health (DOH) and Seattle King County Public Health guidelines and the District's Student Health and Safety Guidelines www.seattleschools.org/resources. These health and safety requirements may be periodically updated. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in discontinuation of in-learning or services, but your child would be able to continue to receive remote instruction.

By signing below, you are indicating:

- You have read and understand this notice, including the Family Instructions (page 2).
- You understand that your child's participation in-person learning or services is voluntary and is not required.
- You understand that your child attending school in person involves a risk of serious illness, debilitating injury, or death from COVID-19, and a risk of contracting and spreading the disease to others, understand that these risks cannot be eliminated, and knowingly assume such risks.
- You agree that you and your child will follow the health and safety guidelines and understand that failure to follow these guidelines may result in discontinuing of in-person learning or services.

I certify that I am the parent/guardian of the above-named student OR am the above-named student and am 18 years of age or older, that I have read and understand the foregoing.

Signature of Parent / Legal Guardian / Student at least 18 years old

Date

Family Instructions – In-Person Services

Welcome back to school! We are excited to see your student!

Health and Safety Orientation:

Families will receive an orientation to the health and safety protocols which will include but are not limited to the following:

- Cloth face coverings
- Daily health screening questions and expectations
- Physical distancing
- What will happen if your student becomes unwell or sick at school
- Emergency contacts and up-to-date phone number

Daily Health Screening:

To support the health and wellness of our school community and prevent the spread of COVID-19, students and staff are asked to complete a **daily** health screening survey, sometimes called “attestation”, **before** entering a school building or site. Here is what it looks like:

- If your child looks or feels sick, keep them home and call the school to let them know they will be absent.
- If your student is healthy with no signs of being sick, complete the digital Daily Health Screening Survey (sent by text or email). At the end of the survey, you will receive a message with “Approved” or “Not Approved” to go to school.
- If the message says “Approved”, your student may go to school. Unless exempt, please make sure they wear a mask or face covering.
- If the message says “Not Approved”, keep your student home and if needed contact your healthcare provider.
- If the student has not completed the Daily Health Screening before arriving at school and you come to school with your student, the school Screener will ask you to complete the questions at a kiosk at school. If you are not with your student, the Screener will contact you, review the health questions and do a temperature check. If the answers to all the questions are “NO” **and** your student looks well, they may enter the school.
- If you cannot be reached, your student will not be able to enter school and will remain in a supervised area until you/your emergency contact(s) can be reached.

If Your Student Shows Symptoms or Becomes Sick at School:

- If your student is feeling or looking sick, they will be accompanied from the classroom and taken to the Protected Health Care Room, where they will have their temperature taken and monitored until the student is picked up or transported home.
- If you are unable to pick up your student, a staff member will arrange for home transportation and confirm someone will be present to meet them.
- School staff will notify you to pick up your student or arrange student transportation home.