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## **COVID-19 Daily Screening for Students**

Dear Parents/G	iuardians.
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The NJDOE in their return to school document entitled, <u>The Road Back</u>, states school districts must adopt a policy for screening students upon arrival for symptoms and history of exposure. The Pemberton Township School District is requiring a daily symptom check at home prior to your child returning in person to school. We are asking the parents do this at home each day for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period (Feb. 1, 2021-April 14, 2021).

## **Section 1: Symptoms**

Any of the symptoms below could indicate a COVID-19 infection in children and may put your child at risk for spreading illness to others. Please note that this list does not include all possible symptoms and children with COVID-19 may experience any, all, or none of these symptoms. Please check your child daily for these symptoms:

#### Column A

Fever (measured or subjective)
Chills
Rigors (shivers)
Myalgia (muscle aches)
Headache
Sore Throat
Nausea or Vomiting
Diarrhea
Fatigue
Congestion or Runny Nose

# Column B

Cough
Shortness of Breath
Difficulty Breathing
New Loss of Smell
New Loss of Taste

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# Section 2: Close Contact/Potential Exposure

Please verify if:

Your child has had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for 15 or more minutes during a 24-hour period) with a person with COVID-19
Students who are household members of a student who has COVID-19 compatible symptoms and meets COVID-19 Exclusion Criteria should be excluded from school until the symptomatic individual receives a negative test result. If the symptomatic individual tests positive, the household member will need to quarantine
Your child has traveled to an area of high community transmission.

If **ANY** of the fields in Section 2 are checked off, your child should remain home for 14 days from the last date of exposure (if child is a close contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case) or date of return to New Jersey.

\*\*\*Per CDC guidance in December 2020, quarantine dates changed related to travel.

Travelers and residents returning from any U.S. state or territory beyond the immediate region (New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Delaware) should self-quarantine at their home, hotel, or other temporary lodging following recommendations from the CDC:

- If travel is unavoidable, travelers should consider getting tested with a viral test (not an antibody test) 1-3 days before the trip and again 3-5 days after the trip.
- If travelers test positive, they should self-isolate for at least 10 days and should postpone travel during that time.
- If travelers test negative, they should quarantine for a full 7 days after travel.
- If testing is not available (or if the results are delayed), travelers should **quarantine for** 10 days after travel.