General Community School COVID-19 Assessment

Children's HOSPITAL & MEDICAL CENTER

Ill Student

Teacher identifies potentially ill student → **Ensure teacher and student are wearing masks** → Teacher sends student for evaluation by school nurse or healthcare staff → Nurse or staff greets student at office and places masked student in room, closes door → Nurse or staff performs hand washing and **-Don appropriate PPE** → Staff records the following:
1. Temp
2. Respiratory Rate
3. Pulse oximetry
4. Assessment of Respiratory Distress

PPE
--Medical Mask (ear loop)
-Eye protection
-Gown
-Gloves

Respiratory Distress Assessment
Increased work of breathing
Blue lips/nail beds
Shortness of breath

Respiratory Assessment

Is the student in respiratory distress?
- Yes → Asthma Action Plan appropriate?
  - Yes → Initiate Asthma Action Plan → Follow school protocol and/or contact School Nurse or EMS if Nurse is not immediately available → Once stable, proceed with Primary COVID-19 screening
  - No → Follow school protocol and/or contact School Nurse or EMS if Nurse is not immediately available
- No → COVID-19 Screening

COVID-19 Screening

Screen Positive for COVID-19 Symptoms?
- No → Follow school policy for ill students
- Yes → Parent/Guardian Notification/ Exclusion from School

COVID-19 Screening: Any "yes" to the following results in a positive screen → Do they have 1 High Risk Symptom? **OR** → Do they have 2 Low Risk Symptoms? **OR** → Is there someone in the household or other known close contact who has recently tested positive for COVID-19?

COVID-19 Screening

High Risk Symptoms
- New or persistent cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- New loss of smell or taste

Low Risk Symptoms
- *Fever/chills
- Myalgia
- Headache (older kids)
- Sore throat
- Nausea/Vomiting/Diarrhea
- Congestion/runny nose

**CDC guidelines and school policies may vary*

Parent/Guardian Notification/ Exclusion from School

1. Students and staff who screen positive should be immediately isolated in the designated area and sent home as soon as possible.
2. Require the symptomatic person to wear a cloth or surgical mask while waiting, if tolerable

→ 1. Notify parent/ guardian & Principal
2. Child needs to be removed from school

→ Follow room cleaning protocol when student is sent home

Room Cleaning
-If NO nebulizer given, follow steps 1&2
If Nebulizer given: Leave room empty w/door closed for 2hrs then follow steps 1 & 2
1. Clean room per county health department guidelines
2.Remove PPE/perform hand washing when cleaning is complete

→ **Return To School**
-10 days from symptom onset and 24 hours fever free and improving respiratory symptoms.
-Negative COVID-19 test and symptoms improved
-Doctor's note with alternative diagnosis to explain symptoms and symptoms improved.