

## District 73.5 STUDENT WITH COVID SYMPTOMS OPTIONS FOR RETURNING TO SCHOOL

**OPTION 1:** Notify your child's doctor of the symptom(s) your child is experiencing.

- The doctor may determine that the symptom(s) are due to an illness other than COVID-19. Your child may return to school when **ALL** of the following are met:
  - There is an improvement in your child's symptom(s),
  - Your child is fever-free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication **and**
  - A medical note documenting that there is no clinical suspicion for COVID-19 infection and an alternative diagnosis with return to school date signed by the provider has been submitted to the nurse's office.
  
- The doctor may determine that your child should be **tested for COVID-19. Please inform the school nurse of the test date and results.**
  - If your child tests **positive for COVID-19**, your child will need to be isolated at home and all household members will need to quarantine for the number of days specified by the Skokie Health Department. Return to school will occur when a release from isolation letter from the Skokie Health Department has been submitted to the nurse's office.
  
  - If your child tests **negative for COVID-19**, your child may return to school when **ALL** of the following are met:
    - There is an improvement in your child's symptom(s),
    - Your child is fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication, **and**
    - The negative COVID-19 test result has been submitted to school.

**OPTION 2:** Isolate your child at home for **no less than 10 days** and monitor your child's symptom(s). Your child may return to school after 10 days with a note from a **parent/guardian** stating:

- Your child is fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication **and**
- There is an improvement in your child's symptom(s).

**Parents must provide the documentation outlined in either Option 1 or Option 2 before a student (and any siblings) may return to school. Please contact your child's school nurse with any questions.**

*These options are subject to change with updated guidance from IDPH and SHD*