



## **COVID Reminders and Updated Policies** **As of August 11, 2021**

### **Current CDC list of COVID Symptoms:**

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

### **The first line of defense for us here at the center relies on our parents and families:**

- Everyone should complete a health assessment at home before school, including checking temperatures.
- Keep your child home if they are not feeling 100%, even if they do not have a fever.
  - If your child has even one of the COVID symptoms, **DO NOT** bring them to the center. Call your pediatrician, urgent care or health department to schedule a test. Most Convenient MD locations will do a rapid 20 minute COVID test when a child is presenting symptoms and attends child care.

### **What if your child presents one or more of the above symptoms?**

If your child presents with one or more of the above symptoms, please contact the doctor's office so that your child can be medically evaluated. You may also contact an urgent care or the Dept of Health to schedule a test. A child can return to care with a negative test result in writing or a note from a medical professional stating either they are cleared to return to care or that **the child does not have an infectious/contagious disease**. If you are unable to obtain a detailed doctor's note and do not opt for a COVID test, the child must be quarantined for 10 days from the onset of symptoms and at least 24 hours symptom-free before returning.

### **What if someone else in the household presents one or more of the above symptoms?**

If someone within your household presents with any of the above symptoms, they should seek out testing. The earlier we can detect possible outside exposure, the greater we can control possible exposure within the center. If the person presents mild symptoms, the child may attend care while waiting for test results. If the person presents with a fever or strong symptoms, the child should remain home until the symptomatic person receives a negative test result..

### **What if there is a positive case within the center?**

#### **Attending Teacher or Student:**

We will follow current DHHS guidelines. The most up-to-date guidelines will be posted on our front window.

#### **Household Member of a Teacher or Student:**

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### **Tuition During a COVID Shut Down**

In the event of a shut down due to a positive COVID case or there are missed days due to testing, quarantine or staff shortage, tuition is still due in order for us to continue to meet our operational expense requirements which includes continuing payroll for the teachers who are required to quarantine.

Please keep in mind that we cannot ensure a virus-free environment, especially considering we know that some carriers are asymptomatic.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date