

Dear CUSD # 1 families,

Recently the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) released new guidance stating that symptom screening is no longer recommended upon arrival to school grounds.

**Beginning Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, Charleston CUSD # 1 schools will no longer be conducting symptom screenings for students upon arrival to school.**

Families are expected to conduct daily home-based screenings for their children for symptoms of COVID-19 which include:

- Temperature greater than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit/38 degrees Celsius
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue from unknown cause
- Muscle or body aches from unknown cause
- New onset of moderate to severe headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea

An individual exhibiting any **ONE** of these symptoms may not enter the school building and they along with **all siblings** must be kept at home until one of the following criteria are satisfied. If symptoms develop at school, the symptomatic child along with ALL other siblings or housemates will be sent home until one of the following criteria are met:

- Stay home for at least 10 calendar days from onset of symptoms AND for 24 hours with no fever (without fever-reducing medication) AND improvement of symptoms.
- Or evaluation by a medical provider with a note documenting that there is no clinical suspicion for COVID-19 infection and indicating an alternative diagnosis. Student also must be symptom free before return.
- Or present proof of a negative COVID-19 test result of the symptomatic child upon return to school. Student must also be symptom free before return.

**Medical Evaluation and Testing are Strongly Recommended for ALL persons with COVID-Like Symptoms.**

## **CUSD#1 DAILY HOME-BASED COVID-19 SCREENING TOOL**

Thank you, Charleston CUSD # 1 families, for your cooperation and compliance as we strive to keep our schools open and healthy! Remember to wear your mask, watch your distance, and wash your hands!