

## **Return to School Criteria 2022-2023 School Year**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child has reported symptoms consistent with the WI Department of Health Services Exclusion Criteria related to COVID-19. Based on these symptoms, it is recommended that your child get a COVID-19 test and/or be evaluated by a healthcare provider. At this time, your child will need to be excluded from school. We understand that excluding your child from school is likely an inconvenience for your family. However, restrictions like this are necessary in order to keep students and staff safe and healthy.

### **Return to school criteria for your child is based on the following options:**

#### **Negative COVID-19 Test or no COVID-19 Test**

- Your ill child can return to school 24 hours after he/she is fever-free without the use of fever reducing medication and other symptoms are improving.
- **If you'd like your child's absence to be marked as a school excused absence, please take a picture of the negative COVID test and email it to: [spoeschel@mondovi.k12.wi.us](mailto:spoeschel@mondovi.k12.wi.us). For a negative COVID test, there will be a maximum of 2 school excused absence days allowed with the initial COVID test. Any days beyond that will be parent excused days.**

#### **Positive COVID-19 Test Result**

- Your child is excluded for at least 5 days from when symptoms started (day 0 being day symptoms started). If symptoms are improving by day 5 (including being fever free for 24 hours without the use of a fever reducing medication) then your child can return on day 6. It is recommended that your child wear a well-fitting mask correctly over their mouth and nose on days 6 through 10. If fever is still present or symptoms are not improving by day 5, then your child needs to remain home for 10 days.
- **If you'd like your child's absence to be marked as a school excused absence, please take a picture of the positive COVID test and email it to: [spoeschel@mondovi.k12.wi.us](mailto:spoeschel@mondovi.k12.wi.us)**

#### **Healthcare Provider evaluation**

- If there is an alternative diagnosis made, then your child will need to follow the appropriate exclusion period. Please see the following website for further information regarding communicable diseases and exclusion periods:  
<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p4/p44397.pdf>

Thank you for helping keep our students and staff safe and healthy. If you have any questions please call the school nurse, Sue Evans-Poeschel, at 715-926-3645, EXT 1171.

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