



School District of Cambridge

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Dear Families,

This communication is to inform you of what to expect in the event that your student is exposed to COVID-19 in school from an individual who is positively confirmed with COVID-19.

You will receive an electronic notification from the school, in partnership with Dane or Jefferson County Health Departments, notifying you that your student is considered a 'close contact' of the individual positively confirmed with COVID-19. Close contact is defined as being within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes or having any physical contact with an individual who has been positively confirmed to have COVID-19, starting from 48 hours before and 10 days after illness onset or positive test, whichever occurred first. In the event of close contact, your student should stay home from school and quarantine for 14 days from the last date of exposure to the positively confirmed individual. Also, per health department guidance, if one student in a family needs to stay home due to probable COVID-19 symptoms or a pending COVID-19 test, all students and/or employees of Cambridge School District in that home will need to stay home as well. We encourage the same procedure whether a student is face to face or virtual. If the illness becomes prolonged the district will work with the family to determine the best learning platform for the student(s).

Quarantine refers to the practice of separating individuals who have had close contact with someone with COVID-19 to determine whether they develop symptoms or test positive for the disease. Quarantine also reduces the risk of transmission if an individual is later found to have COVID-19. Information and resources will be provided to you regarding symptom tracking, testing, and contact information for Dane and Jefferson County Health Departments (Covid19@jeffersoncountywi.gov or health@publichealthmdc.com).

Dane or Jefferson County Health Departments will send you a second letter notifying you of the need to quarantine for 14 days from the last exposure to the positively confirmed individual.

During this time, the family should watch for the following symptoms:

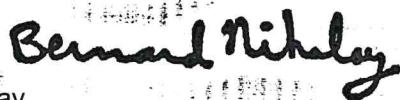
Fever or chills	Cough	Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
Fatigue	Muscle or body aches	Headache
Loss of taste or smell	Sore throat	Congestion or runny nose
Nausea or vomiting	Diarrhea	

If symptoms do arise, contact your family health provider with the symptoms, the date of onset of the symptoms, and that they have been a "close contact" of someone with COVID-19. It is recommended that all those with close contact or exposure are tested for COVID-19, regardless of symptoms.

It is important for you to keep your student home when they are not feeling well. If you have any questions on whether your student should come to school, the best decision would be to keep them home and contact your health care provider to discuss your concerns. If you do not have a doctor, call 211 to be connected to resources that can help you access testing and care. Many clinics in Wisconsin provide services for people with little or no insurance, including free and low cost clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), rural health centers, and tribal health centers.

Please share any related developments with the school so that the health and safety of the student body can be closely monitored. If you have any questions, please call Katie Paul, RN at 608-423-3261ext 4104, Lesli Rumpf, Health Room Assistant at 608-423-9727 ext 1103 or contact the Jefferson County Health Department at Covid19@jeffersoncountywi.gov or Public Health of Madison Dane County at health@publichealthmdc.com.

Sincerely,



Bernie Nikolay