

Lisbon Exempted Village School District Nurse's Office

Today I would like to share some of the changes your children will see in the nurse's office. I have been working with the Columbiana County Health Department and using the guidance from the CDC and Ohio Department of Health to put measures in place to help keep our students, families, and staff safe and healthy. The Columbiana County Schools Common Reopening Agreement is asking all parents to do **Daily Health Assessments** prior to sending your children to school. Symptoms range from mild to severe and may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Children may experience any, all, or none of these. Having these symptoms does not confirm Covid-19. **Please report all illnesses to the school nurse and keep your child home for any of the symptoms listed below. Please call the nurse to determine their return date. Your child will not be permitted to return to class after an absence without speaking with the nurse first.**

Fever >100, chills or repeated shaking
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

What happens if my child becomes sick at home?

Students who are not feeling well will be sent to see the nurse as before, but now there will be 2 rooms for the nurse. One for well visits and one for students who are not feeling well. Students in both offices will wear masks and be distanced. Students will be sent home for any of the above listed symptoms. Please keep their online Emergency Medical Forms updated with names and numbers of people who are able to pick up your child if needed.

When can my child return to school after an illness?

All students having any of the above symptoms will follow the same Protocol from the Columbiana County Health Department regardless of whether the symptoms began at home or at school. There are different paths to follow based on what symptoms your child is experiencing. Isolation time can be 10 days or 24 hours.

Both paths require the following to return:

1. Fever free for 24 hours (less than 100 without use of Tylenol or Advil)
2. Improvement of symptoms for last 24 hours
3. **OR** - Seen by your Healthcare provider. They may return with a note that **includes the date they may return.**
4. Please call the school nurse to discuss their return to school. The child must be transported to the school by the parent or caregiver and must be checked in by the nurse.

Please notify the school if your child has been exposed or if a family member has been diagnosed with Covid-19. Any positive cases will then be managed by the Health Department.

While I understand the above measures may not be easy, we must take all precautions to protect everyone. As I partner together with you and the Columbiana County Health Department to meet the challenges ahead, I am here for any questions/concerns you may have. We must all be flexible in the days ahead as new guidance is given from the Ohio Department of Health, Governor Dewine, and the CDC.