

June 3, 2021

Greetings, Summer Learning Families!

SLPS' top priority is educating children and giving them the academic, social and emotional tools they need to become future leaders. That said, student and staff safety is always our first priority. The District has put in place a COVID Response Team trained by Johns Hopkins that works collaboratively with the City of St. Louis Department of Health. Students who attend summer learning must adhere to the below reporting process for exposures and symptoms related to COVID-19:

REPORTING COVID POSITIVE RESULTS

Any member of our school community who tests positive for COVID-19 must stay home for at least 10 days following their positive test result. Additionally, those individuals cannot return unless they receive doctor's clearance. Documentation must be provided before returning to school. Please call your school site's building leader directly if your child has a COVID positive result.

CLOSE CONTACT WITH A COVID POSITIVE PERSON

If a student has a close contact (within 6 feet for 15 minutes) with someone who tests positive for COVID within two days of such contact, the student must quarantine for 14 days following that contact. This is in cases of both school and outsides exposures. If the student develops symptoms during that time, the isolation period may be extended. If the positive person is a household member, the quarantine period will last at least 24 days after the family member's positive test result; with the 14 days starting only after the family member has been cleared by a doctor.

All of the above scenarios are tracked and handled by our Contact Tracing Team, working out of the Board of Education's Central Office for all schools. Potential exposures as reported by SLPS staff, SLPS families, and the Department of Health (working directly with the team to report any SLPS student cases) are all tracked and traced until all affected individuals are returned to school. Please call your school site's building leader directly if your child has had an exposure to someone COVID positive.

COVID-RELATED SYMPTOMS

Students and staff cannot attend school if they have any COVID-related symptoms: fever (100.4 and above), sore throat, congestion/runny nose, headache, nausea/vomiting/diarrhea, fatigue/muscle or body aches, cough, difficulty breathing, loss of taste/smell. Please note, this information is subject to change if the CDC/DOH guidance changes at any time.

Please refer to the attached Student Symptom Decision Tree for additional information about when students may return following these symptoms, and whether documentation must be provided prior to return. Please call your school site's building leader directly if your child has any of these COVID-related symptoms.

This protocol must be followed by all students and staff. Failure to adhere to these directives may result in dismissal from summer learning. Let's keep everyone safe and healthy this summer!