

Clarence Central School District

Dear Clarence Schools Community:

This letter is to inform you of a new requirement regarding COVID-19.

New guidance has been released from the *American Academy of Pediatrics* regarding a medical evaluation following COVID-19 infection to screen for cardiac symptoms. Students grades K-12 that have tested positive for Covid-19 will be required to be cleared to return to physical education and sports by their primary care physician. The link to the AAP article is located here

<https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-interim-guidance-return-to-sports/>

Students that have tested positive for COVID-19 will have a physical education hold until medical clearance is provided by the student's primary physician. When the medical clearance is received by the School Nurse, the release will be given to participate in physical education and/or extracurricular athletics. A copy of the release form is located here

<https://www.clarenceschools.org/cms/lib/NY01913587/Centricity/Domain/948/Assessment%20Form.pdf>

When registering students for an extracurricular athletic team, all students will complete an interval health history which includes questions related to Covid-19. Student-athletes that have been previously diagnosed with Covid-19 will not be able to participate unless they have a release from their primary care physician.

Please reach out to the District Nurse Coordinator, Mrs. Hana Muller, RN, or the Director of Health, Physical Education, and Athletics, Mr. Lehmbeck for further questions.

Sincerely,

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Clarence Central School District Medical Directors