Updated Live Learning Guidelines, January 2021



As we have been in 'Orange' (High Risk) since 11/14/2020, the NJDOH has now issued updated Orange guidelines we must follow when we reopen for Live Instruction on Wednesday 01/13/2021. We have consulted with and confirmed these items with the Bergen County Department of Health

Required Exclusion from LIVE Instruction of ALL Contacts, when an individual has a symptom of COVID-19, but has yet to receive a

compatible symptoms but COVID-19

If person has potential exposure to COVID-19 in the last 14 days, exclude according to COVID-19 exclusion criteria

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based contacts for 14 days from last exposure, or until symptomatic individual tests negative for COVID-19 and report to least the symptomatic individual tests negative for COVID-19 and report to least the symptomatic formula to the symptom and the report to local health

If a student or staff has any of the COVID-19 symptoms, while in school we must exclude the enti class & teachers (regardless of proximity) in that classroom, until that individual produces a Negative COVID-19 PCR Test. The 'Symptom Contact' exclusion of Live Instruction for those individuals would conclude following the Negative COVID-19 PCR Test OR if a test is not obtained, following the period of 14-days. We are calling this a 'Symptom Contact Exclusion'. This is different than a 'Positive Covid-19 Contact Quarantine'

What Happens?



You will be notified of a 'Symptom Contact', the exclusion from Live Instruction, and that your class will be engaging in Remote Learning during

If a Negative Test is obtained, you will be contacted again, and the classroom will re-open to LIVE instruction.

Contact, and the required Quarantine period.



What are the Symptoms of COVID-19 that would require a 'Symptom Contact' Exclusion?

- Fever or Chills - Cough
 - Headache
- New loss of Taste or Smell - Congestion or Runny Nose

-Muscle or Body Aches

- Nausea
- Sore Throat - Vomiting
- Diarrhea



Staying Vigilant

It is now more important than ever, to check your student before sending them to school. If they have any of the symptoms listed above, please record it in MYMEDBOT and Engage in Remote Learning for that day. Additionally, any siblings should remain home as well.

Update to HOW Your Student can return to School.

that any child with COVID-19 compatible symptoms should not return to school until they have either received a negative viral test (molecular or antigen) for SARS-CoV-2 or they have completed an isolation period of at least 10 days since symptom onset and at least 24 hours after resolution of fever without fever-reducing medications with symptom improvement. A purely clinical alternative diagnosis is no longer acceptable.



A Doctors Clearance or Alternative Diagnosis, No Longer Accepted...

In a letter sent to Districts and Pediatricians on January 1, 2021, an alternative Diagnosis or Doctors Clearance is <u>No Longer Acceptable</u> to return to school. This is not the same as a chronic diagnosis (symptom is commonly experienced by your student)

We can ONLY accept a NEGATIVE COVID-19 PCR Test to return to school and lift the class 'symptom exclusion', if the symptom is a one-off experience

The Data...
Between November 9 - December 18 (15 LIVE Instructional Days)...
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- 0 Contracted COVID-19
 - 7 Returned with a Doctors Note (No Longer Acceptable moving forward)
 - 5 Returned with a NEGATIVE COVID-19 Test
 - 6 Returned following the required isolation period

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