



Central Heights Independent School District

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As you all are aware this school year is going to be different than it has been in the past. As your school nurses we would like to give you some information regarding the guidelines that the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and the Department of State Health (DSHS) have given for us to follow.

- Any student presenting to our clinic with one symptom, or symptoms like COVID-19 will be sent home for ten days (DSHS rule, not ours; complete list of COVID-19 symptoms in the TEA link below).
- All siblings of the student showing symptom/s that attend CHISD will also have to be sent home for the 10 day period (DSHS rule, not ours).
- Any symptom that a student presents with that is listed as a possible COVID-19 symptom, is assumed as a COVID-19 case. We are mandated to send that student home immediately and to follow the 10 day reEntry criteria (TEA).
- The student with the symptom/symptoms can return to school prior to the ten days if they provide a negative PCR COVID test- (DSHS rule) or a doctor clears them to return (TEA and DSHS).
- If you keep your child home from school with a symptom; any symptom that is considered a COVID-19 symptom, you must keep all CHISD siblings home as well, and get medical clearance prior to them all returning to school (TEA and DSHS).
- If your child has been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 they must stay home for the 14-day incubation period without exceptions (TEA)

We know that this is difficult and at times frustrating. We are doing our best to keep all staff and students healthy! Please don't hesitate to call with your concerns/questions/ and updates Nurse Debbie and/or Nurse Emily: Elementary Clinic 552-3423; Nurse Stefanie: Middle School/ High School Clinic 552-3448.

Remote learning is to be set up with your student/s campus Principal.

Direct link to our TEA guidelines:

<https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/covid/SY-20-21-Public-Health-Guidance.pdf>

Your CHISD Nursing Team