



Dear Parent or Guardian of \_\_\_\_\_,

Any student or school staff member who has a symptom of COVID-19 illness is regarded as a suspect case. Your student reported the following symptom(s):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fever (>100F) or chills | <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle or body aches     | <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cough                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Headache                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath     | <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of taste or smell   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty breathing    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat              | <input type="checkbox"/>                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Congestion or runny nose | <input type="checkbox"/>                     |

At least one of these is a symptom of COVID-19. **Your student will only be permitted back to school if he/she is fever-free for at least 24 hours without the use of medications AND meets at least one of the following criteria:**

1. Provide written lab or physician results of a negative SARS-CoV-2 RNA PCR (COVID-19) test collected sometime in the 72 hours before coming back to school. This is a nasal swab test (not a blood test nor a saliva test). A negative antigen (rapid test) or negative antibody test result is not acceptable.
2. Provide verifiable written documentation from a physician of a more likely alternative diagnosis (i.e., influenza, strep throat, etc.). The diagnosis must be provided by the physician, not just a "return to school" note. Some illnesses have different times that you must stay out of school - please consult with your doctor or the school nurse.
3. At least 10 days have passed from the onset of the first symptom. If your student is hospitalized during the illness/symptoms, at least 20 days have passed from the onset of the first symptom.

Before returning your student to school you must provide documentation to the school for criteria 1 or 2 above. If you elect not to get a COVID-19 test for your student or see a doctor for an alternative diagnosis, item number 3 above must be met. This means that the earliest your student can return to school is

\_\_\_\_\_ if he/she is not hospitalized, is fever-free (without the use of medications)  
for the entire day on \_\_\_\_\_, and has not developed any other symptoms during this 10-day period.

There are two COVID-19 testing providers in Madison County:

1. Madison Health (main hospital campus) located at 210 North Main Street in London. An appointment and a doctor's order are required. After your doctor sends the order to Madison Health, call 740-845-7242 to schedule an appointment. If you do not have a doctor, Madison Health Urgent Care located at 371 Lafayette Street in London may be able to provide testing. Call 740-845-6735 for the Urgent Care. Do not go to the Madison Health Emergency Department for (non-emergency) general testing.
2. Rocking Horse Community Health Center located at 212 North Main Street in London. An appointment is required but you do not need a doctor's order. Call 740-845-7286 to schedule. Madison County Public Health coordinates testing capacity and supplies within the county but does not provide testing for the public. There are many additional test sites close to Madison County. Visit covidtest.madisonph.org.

If you have questions, please consult with your doctor or contact the school at \_\_\_\_\_.

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