



CHATHAM COUNTY SCHOOLS

PARENT/GUARDIAN ATTESTATION-COVID-19 SYMPTOM SCREENING FORM (One form must be completed for each student.)

Student's Name: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

1. Has your student had close contact (within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes) in the last 14 days with someone diagnosed with COVID-19, or has any health department or health care provider been in contact with you and advised you or your student to quarantine?

- **Yes:** Your student should not be at school. He or she can return 14 days after the last close contact with someone with COVID-19, or as listed below.
- **No:** Your student can be at school if he or she is not experiencing symptoms.

2. Does your student have any of the following symptoms? fever (temperature of 100.4°F or greater), chills, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, new cough, new loss of taste or smell

If your student has any of these symptoms, they should stay home, away from other people, and you should call your student's health care provider.

3. Since he or she was last at school, has your student been diagnosed with COVID-19?

If your student is diagnosed with COVID-19 based on a test, their symptoms, or does not get a COVID-19 test but has had symptoms, he or she should not be at school and should stay at home until the criteria below are met.

Criteria for Return after Diagnosis: A student who has tested positive for COVID-19 can return to school when a parent/guardian ensure that they can answer YES to ALL three questions:

- Has it been 10 days since the student has first had symptoms?
- Has it been at least 24 hours since the student had a fever (without using fever-reducing medicine)?
- Have other symptoms, like cough and shortness of breath, improved?

If a student has been diagnosed with COVID-19 but does not develop symptoms (asymptomatic case), they must remain out of school until 10 days have passed since the date of their first positive COVID-19 diagnostic test (date the specimen/swab was collected) assuming he or she has not subsequently developed symptoms since the positive test.

Criteria for Return after Symptoms and Negative COVID-19 Test: If a student has had symptoms of COVID-19 but tested negative, they can return to school once they have had no fever without the use of fever-reducing medicines and have felt well for 24 hours. Students must also stay at home while they await COVID-19 test results.

Criteria for Return after Close Contact: If a student has been determined to have been in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19, he or she should remain out of school for 14 days since the last known contact, unless he or she tests positive. If the student is positive, the criteria above would apply. The student must complete the full 14 days of quarantine even if he or she tests negative.

By signing below, I attest to the following:

- 1. I will screen my student every morning, for the 2020-21 school year and will NOT send my student to school if the answer to any of the three questions above is YES.**
- 2. By sending my student to school on any given day, I certify that I have screened my student on that day and the answer to ALL of the questions above is NO.**
- 3. If my student is diagnosed with COVID-19, I will NOT send him or her to school until they meet the criteria for return.**
- 4. If my student rides a bus, I understand and agree with the Student Transportation Services, Overview of Health and Safety Measures on the reverse side of this form.**
- 5. In addition to submitting this form once at the beginning of in-person instruction, I agree to answer the symptom screening questions when asked.**

Parent's/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

*Chatham County Schools reserves the right to discontinue the use of this form, to require the use of a different form, or to require in-person screening at any time.
Please see the reverse side of this form for more information regarding health and safety requirements for student transportation services.*

Student Transportation Services
Overview of Health and Safety Measures Related to COVID-19
(For Potential and Approved Bus Riders Only)

Parents/guardians are encouraged to provide transportation to and from school for their student(s) to the extent possible. However, please know that health and safety measures will be implemented on all buses to help reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19. These measures are consistent with the current North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services requirements for public school districts.

- Face coverings are required for all students and adults on buses and other transportation vehicles, except in limited exceptions stipulated by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.
- Parents/guardians are required to screen their student(s) every morning, every day as stated on the front side of this document and keep their student(s) at home if the answer to any of the screening questions is yes. Each student's temperature will be taken upon arrival at school.
- Parents/guardians are required to follow the criteria for return to school outlined on the front side of this document after a positive COVID-19 diagnosis, being designated as a close contact, or while symptomatic.
- Buses will be cleaned and disinfected daily after morning and afternoon routes.
- Hand sanitizer (with at least 60% alcohol) will be provided to all students as requested.
- Per the seating capacity restrictions established by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, students will be required to sit one to a seat on the bus, unless they are from the same household.
- The following additional strategies will be used to support contact tracing, timely service, and general health and well-being:
 - Transportation will only be for students who have submitted the required form to his or her school.
 - Students will only be allowed to ride the bus to which they are assigned.
 - Parents/guardians are required to accompany PreK-3rd grade students at bus stops and should model and promote social distancing and the wearing of face coverings.

Other information for students and parents/guardians and additional health and safety measures are available on our website at the following link: <https://www.chatham.k12.nc.us/Page/22533>

If you have questions related to bus routes, please contact your student's school.