



Lockerby Composite School

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Dear Viking Community:

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We hope that all is well with you and your family. As you are aware, the Medical Officer of Health and Directors of Education in the Sudbury area remain committed to keeping our schools COVID-safe. Since the beginning of our school year, we have asked that all students and staff use the COVID-19 Screening Tool prior to attending school each day. For reference, the COVID-19 Screening Tool can be found here: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening> and on our website under 'Frequent Links.'

Further to the attached letter from Public Health Sudbury and Districts (in consultation with all four local School Boards) and effective February 19, 2021, students with any new or worsening symptom of COVID-19, even those with only one symptom, are now required to stay home. Furthermore, a student with symptoms will be required to isolate at home until:

- **Option 1:** They receive a negative COVID-19 test result OR
- **Option 2:** They receive an alternative diagnosis by a health care professional OR
- **Option 3:** It has been 10 days since their symptom onset and they are feeling better

Moreover, upon the request of the Public Health Sudbury and Districts, in addition to the ill student staying home, everyone else in the household (such as siblings and parents/guardians) is required to stay home from school and work for the same time period as well. If the ill student is not tested for COVID-19, all household contacts must isolate for 14 days from their last contact with the student.

What does this mean at Lockerby Composite School?

- Each student is asked to complete the Ontario COVID-19 Screening Tool each morning
- Should the student receive a message indicating 'Do Not Go To School,' the student must stay at home and schedule a COVID-19 test, or contact their health care provider for diagnosis, or quarantine for 10 days
- Parents/Guardians are asked to call the school to notify of the Screening Tool results; our Office Staff will ask which option (from above) students and parents/guardians will be choosing moving forward
- Students who are ill and at home can login to their courses' daily Google Meets (and Google Classroom or VLE platforms) to stay up-to-date in their studies (if and when they are well enough to do so)
- Once an ill student has received a negative COVID-19 test result, received an alternative diagnosis from a health care professional, or it has been 10 days since their symptom onset, the ill student (and any household members) may return to school

As indicated in the more detailed attached letter, while we understand that these changes may cause challenges and disruptions to families, we must continue to do our part to prevent transmission in the community and in our schools. Should you have any further questions, please contact Public Health Sudbury and Districts at 705-522-9200.

Sincerely,
LOCKERBY COMPOSITE SCHOOL
Per:

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