COVID-19 RESPONSE PROTOCOL FOR SYMPTOMATIC STUDENT

COVID-19 SYMPTOMS:

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19 (CDC Website).

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

If Student is Home:

Step 1:
- Parent or guardian self reports to attendance office that student is ill.
  - Please discuss with health care provider if COVID symptoms.

Step 2:
- Evaluation by healthcare provider

Step 3:
- If medically cleared by health care provider, student may return to school once fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications and symptoms have resolved to normal.

Step 4:
- If COVID-19 testing is ordered, student remains at home until results are complete and valid. Await information from health care provider.
Step 5:

IF TEST NEGATIVE

- May return after cleared by health care provider and 14 day quarantine has expired

Step 5A:

IF TEST POSITIVE

- Notify school nurse
- May not return until more than 24 hours without fever and more than 10 days without symptoms
- Need note from health provider

Step 6:

- School nurse contacts COVID team for data management

Step 6A:

- School administrators will communicate to those impacted

Step 6B

- When school or building has two or more cases, a general communication will be sent to families/staff

If Student is at School:

Step 1:

- Student self reports to school nurse with potential COVID-19 symptoms:
  - Student evaluated by school nurse for potential COVID-19 symptoms
  - Student to return home if symptoms present.

If student is NOT tested and did not consult a health care provider, student will be excluded from school until 10 days from last symptoms and no fever for more than 24 hours.

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We know staff and families want a real-time understanding of COVID-19's impact on the school and district. In addition to direct communication with staff and families as appropriate in the situations noted above, Blue Valley will maintain on its website the number of active confirmed cases by school and the district as a whole allowing for complete transparency.