



Dear Stone Lake Families,

The Symptom Tree is what our school nurse utilizes when dealing with students that come to the office not feeling well. I wanted to make sure that parents know about this and are aware of what we use and what schools all over our district use with our students.

As you can see, there are "Low-Risk Symptoms" and "High-Risk Symptoms". When a student has **one** low-risk symptom, the child is sent home and can return to school within 24 hours as long as symptom improves (no fever without medication). If a child has a "high-risk symptom" or two "low-risk symptoms" then things change quite a bit, and a student cannot return to school until the following:

- **A doctor note confirming an alternative diagnosis for symptoms AND Negative SARS COV-2 PCR Test**

**OR**

- **quarantine for 10 days since symptom onset and 24 hours without fever**

If a student has exposure to a COVID positive person (the PDF defines what exposure is) then the student must stay out of school for 10 days from last contact with the person. If your child must stay home, then please work with your child's teacher to make sure that your child stays connected to the classroom and all important work that must be completed.

I know that this is a lot of information, but we are already experiencing students coming to the office with symptoms that are included in the Symptom Tree (symptoms that are pretty general). We want our parents to be clear about the steps that we are required to take and how this impacts you and your child.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

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