

SALIDA SCHOOL DISTRICT R-32-J

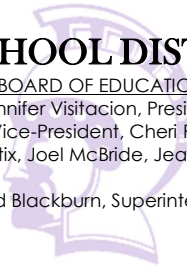
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After a successful start to the school year with in-person learning, and through discussions with local medical professionals, the school district has created a new at home screening checklist for students and staff. You can use these symptom checklists to determine when to keep their child at home. School staff can also use this tool to determine if they need to stay at home. **Any student or staff diagnosed with COVID-19 or who is a close contact of a COVID-19 case SHOULD NOT go to school and should isolate or quarantine according to public health recommendations.**

These lists refer only to new symptoms or a change in usual symptoms. A student/staff member should not be kept home for usual symptoms they experience due to a chronic condition unless they are worse than usual. These guidelines are in addition to your regular school guidance (for example, a child with vomiting should also not attend school based on usual school guidance).

If your child is/you are experiencing any potentially life-threatening symptoms, please call 911.

Students and staff should not attend if experiencing ANY of the following major symptoms.

- Feeling feverish, having chills, or temperature 100.4°F or higher.
- New or unexplained persistent cough.
- Shortness of breath.
- Difficulty breathing.
- Loss of taste or smell.

Students and staff should not attend if experiencing a COMBINATION OF ANY TWO of the following minor symptoms.

- Fatigue.
- Muscle aches.
- Headache.
- Sore throat.
- Nausea or vomiting.
- Diarrhea.
- Runny nose or congestion.

These lists of symptoms were delineated as major or minor symptoms of COVID-19 as explained by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. After speaking to the local medical community this was recommended to continue to maintain our community's capacity to adequately test and treat the most probable COVID-19 patients. In addition to this new protocol for at-home screening the medical community would like to remind the community students and staff be advised to only call offices during office hours and NOT to try the on-call provider for scheduling of COVID-19 tests. The on-call doctors are available for advice for potential emergencies and for parents with questions about sick kids. However, they are not able to assist in scheduling for COVID-19 tests or for scheduling any appointments.