



## **Peekskill City School District**

*Our mission is to educate and empower all students to strive for excellence as life-long learners who embrace diversity and are contributing members of a global society.*

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Dear Staff,

Please take note of the below and ensure all staff are aware of our District's protocols for students and/or staff that exhibit fever/flu-like symptoms. We must continue to be diligent in our practices to maintain a healthy environment for our school community.

### **Peekskill City School District Fever/Flu-Like Symptoms Protocol Updated: March 2020**

- If a child is sent home sick from school by the school nurse or an administrator, parents/guardians will be advised to keep their child home until they are fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication. If a parent/guardian calls their child out sick with a fever or flu-like symptoms, the school staff member who receives the call should notify the nurse and advise the parent/guardian to keep their child home until they are fever free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication.
- Parents/guardians are encouraged to consult with their pediatrician if a child has flu-like symptoms.
- If there is a cluster of children in one class out sick; the school nurse/main office will notify the custodians so that the classroom can be disinfected.
- If any students/staff have traveled to locations affected by a COVID19 outbreak and have flu-like symptoms, it should be reported to the building principal and/or nurse. The nurse will consult with parents and student's physicians to monitor the child's health status (written documentation or conversation).
- Administration/HR will monitor any staff out on sick leave with flu-like symptoms and consult with the staff member and/or their doctor.
- When appropriate, the Superintendent, or their designee, will communicate with the Westchester County Health Department and/or Peekskill City School District's physician and follow NYS and Westchester County Health Department Guidance.

Sincerely,

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