

Almira School District #17

Daily Wellness Screenings and Illness-Related Absences

We want to communicate as clearly as possible the guidance we receive from various state and local agencies in order to offer in-person learning options for Almira students during the COVID-19 pandemic.

This informational sheet will be updated regularly and covers the most recent guidance we have regarding the required COVID-19 Daily Symptom Checklist screening for all students and school employees attending in-person learning.

The Lincoln County Health District's screening questions for schools are as follows:

1. In the **last 24 days** has your student had any of the following symptoms not caused by another condition?
 - Fever of 100.4 F or higher
 - Cough
 - Shortness of Breath or Difficulty Breathing
 - Loss of Taste or Smell
 - Fatigue
 - Headache
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Sore Throat
 - Congestion or Runny Nose
 - Nausea or Vomiting
 - Diarrhea (2 or more loose stools in 24 hours)

2. In the **last 10 days** has your student:
 - Had a positive COVID-19 test for active virus or awaiting results of COVID-19 test?

3. In the **last 14 days** has your student:
 - Been in close contact (15 min or more and less than 6 ft apart) with anyone with confirmed COVID-19?
 - Been told by a public health official to stay home?

If any answers are "YES", keep your student home and contact the school

Daily Symptom Checklist Screenings will be completed in ONE of the following ways:

Parent/Guardian Attestation
 Complete Wellness Screening Online each morning before 7:55am on Skyward

In-Person Screening
 Completed at the school building door by a trained school employee

Over the Phone Screening
 Completed by a trained school employee with the parent/guardian when receiving notification of an illness-related absence

If a student or staff member does **NOT PASS** a screening they will be directed to **NOT** be in the school building, **stay home**, and **use our remote-learning option** for either:

For "Class A Symptoms" of fever (>100.4), cough, loss of taste/smell, or shortness of breath (also for 2 or more Class B or 1 Class B lasting more than 24 hr):

- 10 days home & fever-free for 24hrs
- or
- A doctor's note for earlier return
- or
- A negative COVID-19 result, symptoms improved & fever free

For 1 "Class B Symptom" lasting less than 24 hrs: fatigue, headache, muscle/body ache, sore throat, congestion, nausea/vomiting or diarrhea:

- 24 hours home (ONLY return if symptoms have improved in 24 hours)
- or
- A doctor's note if longer than 24 hrs
- or
- A negative COVID-19 result, symptoms improved & fever free

For confirmed close contact COVID-19 Exposure:

- 14 days at home for close contact with a positive COVID-19 case
- or
- However long Lincoln Co. directs student or staff to quarantine (may be more or less than 14 days due to other factors)