

COVID-19 POLICIES

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ST. AUGUSTINE SCHOOL

1. If a student experiences any of the symptoms consistent with COVID-19, parents should keep their child home from school and contact the School Nurse. The School Nurse may require that the child be tested for COVID-19 before returning to school.
2. If a student is pending a COVID-19 test result for any reason, the student must remain home from school until he or she receives their test result. If you have your child tested, please notify the School Nurse as soon as possible. Students with a pending test may transition to remote learning until they receive their result.
3. In the event that a St. Augustine School student or staff member tests positive, siblings of “close contacts” **are no longer required** to transition to remote learning. When the school identifies a student as a “close contact,” siblings of that student will have the option of transitioning to remote learning. *Updated 1.2.20*
4. If you have reason to suspect that a member of your household was exposed to COVID-19 *in any way*, contact our School Nurse immediately. We kindly ask for your complete transparency. Based on the circumstances of your exposure, our School Nurse may indicate that your child is safe to come to school, or she may require your child to stay home from school for a period of time, in which case he or she would be able to transition to remote learning.
5. Any student who travels outside of the six New England states OR to any “restricted state,” as determined by the state of Massachusetts, will need to transition to remote learning for a period of **10 days** after their return home. Please contact our School Nurse if you plan to have your child travel. *Updated 1.2.20*
6. If your child tests positive for COVID-19, please notify the School Nurse immediately. It is important that we receive this information as quickly as possible so that we can conduct our contact tracing and notify all close contacts.
7. If a student is deemed a close contact to an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19, he or she will be eligible to return to school after **10 days** from their last exposure provided that they have not experienced symptoms throughout their quarantine. This is consistent with new CDC and DPH guidelines. Parents who wish to keep their children out of school for the full 14-day quarantine may do so. *Updated 1.2.20*