

## **CRITERIA FOR COVID TESTING IN SCHOOL**

Students who present with fever, vomiting, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new olfactory disorder, or new taste disorder will be sent home from school. The student must have a PCR test done for Covid-19. Students who have a positive test result must be isolated at home for 10 days before returning to school. If the PCR test is negative, the student may return to school along with a medical clearance note from their physician.

Students who present with two or more of the following symptoms should be offered a test for Covid-19 at one of our district testing sites:

Chills, Rigors (shivers), myalgia (muscle aches), headache, sore throat, nausea, fatigue, congestion or runny nose

*For students with chronic illness, only new symptoms or symptoms worse than baseline should be used to fulfill symptom-based exclusion/testing criteria.*

Testing sites are Elizabeth Avenue School, FMS@HSC, and Claremont Elementary School. The student MUST be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

The parent/guardian will park in front of the testing site and both student and parent will remain in the vehicle. The parent will call the nurses' office upon their arrival. The nurse will meet them at their car, obtain consent, and perform the test. Students who are unable to comply with the procedure will be referred to an outside source for testing.