FAQs About “Screen & Stay”

If your child is in a class of students who came in contact with an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 and was within six feet of this individual and unmasked, the student is required to quarantine at home. Students who remained masked may come to school and participate in a Screen & Stay program. Families are responsible for monitoring their child for 14 days after exposure to ensure that symptoms do not develop. If your child develops a symptom of COVID-19, you will need to keep your child home and have them tested. Currently, the CDC indicates the following symptoms as being potentially associated with COVID-19 infection:

- Fever (100.4 or higher) or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Attached is the Screen and Stay process for your reference. The answers to many questions can be found in this document. Below are some answers for your convenience.

Q: I have learned that some students within the classroom are placed in quarantine, while others can participate in Screen & Stay. Why didn't the entire class have to quarantine?

A: The DPH has found that student to student transmission is rare when masks are worn in school and have prioritized having kids in school given that transmission in school is rare. Screen and Stay was created to allow students who were not within 6 feet and unmasked to be able to continue in-person learning.

Q: In regards to the Screen & Stay process, it is my understanding that no one has to get tested and my child can still come to school tomorrow. However, if symptoms begin then he/she would have to get tested and quarantine from school. Is that correct?

A: Yes, if symptoms begin then the child would need to be tested.

Q: Is it required that Screen & Stay students get tested?

A: Screen and Stay students are not required to get tested, but it is highly recommended.
Q: Is it OK for the students participating in Screen and Stay to take the bus to school?
A: Yes it is.

Q: How long are students in Screen & Stay quarantining socially (after school programs, sports, etc.)?
A: Students should quarantine from social events for 14 days or get a negative test on day 5 and return to social activities on day 8.

Q: How long are we monitoring for symptoms?
A: Symptom monitor for 14 days.

Q: Can my child use another Chromebook for remote learning?
A: Please note that students are welcome to join the Google Classroom from a home device as well.