

October 9, 2020

Dear Florence County Elementary Parents/Guardians:

At the time you are reviewing this letter, we are scheduled to return to in-person learning at Florence County Elementary School on Monday, October 12. All normal schedules will resume through the school day, including your child's bus schedule. We will continue to reinforce and practice CDC guidelines for our best chances to remain healthy for sustained, in-person instruction. We appreciate your cooperation and support from the homefront.

If your child is under quarantine from the Florence County Health Department, please do not have them return until the prescribed return date provided by the health department.

As a reminder, ***do not send your child to school*** if your child develops any one (1) or more of the following symptoms, and we suggest you contact your medical provider:

- cough;
- shortness of breath;
- a new loss of taste or smell

If your child develops any two (2) or more of the following symptoms, ***do not send your child to school,*** and we suggest you contact your medical provider:

- sore throat;
- unusual fatigue;
- runny nose or nasal congestion;
- muscle/body aches
- headache
- fever (>100.4)*
- nausea*
- diarrhea*

** Fever, nausea and diarrhea will automatically exclude your child from school, however alone, they do not indicate a need for COVID testing or isolation - regardless, your child must be symptom free for 24 hours, without the use of medicine, before returning to school.*

You may contact our school nurse, Melissa Testolin, RN at 528-3215 prior to 10:00 AM, M-F, or feel free to email her at fsdnurse@myflorence.org if you have questions regarding your child's health and/or current symptoms.

Please be advised, conditions could change that impact our return to school from the time you receive and review this letter, until school resumes Monday morning. Please be prepared with contingency plans in the chance we have to resume virtual learning.

Please contact the elementary school office with any further questions pertaining to our return to in-person instruction for Monday, October 12 at Florence County Elementary School.

Sincerely,



Ben Nierhaus, District Administrator