



# THOMPSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Thompson Families,

School will resume for all Thompson Public School students tomorrow, Tuesday, January 4, 2022. The district will be implementing the new COVID-19 Quarantine Guidance that was recently released by the Connecticut Department of Health and Connecticut State Department of Education. This will reduce the quarantine period from seven to five days.

If your child is exhibiting any COVID-19 symptoms, they **should not** attend school tomorrow. Please contact your child's school nurse for guidance to determine when your child will be allowed to attend school.

People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Anyone can have mild to severe symptoms. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever 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

This list does not include all possible symptoms. CDC will continue to update this list as we learn more about COVID-19. Older adults and people who have severe underlying medical conditions such as heart or lung disease or diabetes have a higher risk of developing more serious complications from COVID-19 illness.

The district will be receiving COVID-19 testing kits and should have them onsite by noon tomorrow. If you cannot find an appointment for a COVID-19 test for your child who has symptoms or has been directly exposed to a positive case, you can arrange to pick up a test from your school nurse.

Parents will be responsible for administering the test at home. **Tests will not be conducted at school.**

The district will hold a parent information forum on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 6:00pm via zoom. Please follow this link to join the forum.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82857578113?pwd=WStsQUxMVTVwSIZ3TkxRU0dVUkJvUT09>

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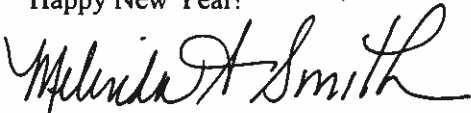
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As always, if you have any questions about COVID-19, please reach out to your child's school nurse:

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Our goal is to keep our schools open while ensuring a safe and healthy learning environment. Now more than ever, we will need the cooperation of our parents/guardians to assist us with this mission.

Happy New Year!



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Superintendent of Schools

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