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Interim Superintendent

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Dear MCSSSD staff,

As of July 16, 2021, Mercer County Special Services School District will suspend the requirement for employee daily health screenings to be completed on the online form. Instead, we ask employees to conduct the assessment daily at home.

Home Based Assessment:

Employees: If you have any of the following symptoms, you might have an illness that can spread to others:

- Temperature of 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit or higher
- Sore throat
- Cough
- Difficulty breathing
- Diarrhea or vomiting
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever
- Loss of taste or smell

Check yourself for these symptoms before you come to school. Check symptoms for changes from usual or baseline health.

If you **DO** have any of the symptoms above:

- Stay home and enter a sick day in Frontline;
- Notify your supervisor you may be symptomatic for COVID-19;
- Get yourself tested for COVID-19.

If you do **NOT** have any of the symptoms above:

- Consider whether you need to see a healthcare provider and be tested for COVID-19. Even if you don't have symptoms, you should be tested if you have:
 - Been in close contact with someone with COVID-19, or lived with someone tested for COVID-19, or
 - Taken part in activities that puts them at higher risk for COVID-19 because they cannot physically distance as needed, such as participating in contact sports, attending a gathering with other children or family, or
 - Been referred to get testing by a state or local health department or healthcare provider.

For the purposes of these criteria, daycare and school settings that implement multiple prevention strategies such as universal and correct use of masks and physical distancing to the greatest extent possible, are **not** considered high risk settings.

If you do not have symptoms and do not meet any of the criteria above, report to work as usual.

Sincerely,


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