September 24, 2021

Comstock Park Community,

Thank you for your flexibility and commitment to our community and students during this time. I wanted to share with you some reminders regarding the Kent County illness protocol as the weather is changing and the cold season is beginning.

- If anyone in your household is sick with the symptoms below, please do not send any members of the household to school.
- If one of your children is home sick, all of the other students must also stay home.

Please be as transparent with us as possible. This makes the entire process smoother and ensures that we are keeping all of our students and staff as safe as possible. In return, we will be as transparent with you as possible.

We have the same expectations from our staff as we have from our students and families.

One of the following:

New Cough Shortness of Breath Loss of taste or smell

Two or more of the following:

Fever (measured or subjective) Chills Headache Extreme Tiredness/Fatigue Sore throat Congestion or Runny Nose Body Aches Nausea, Vomiting, or Diarrhea

In order for the *entire household* to return to school, the *symptomatic* person must complete one of three options:

- 1. Have a note from a provider stating alternative diagnosis
- 2. Have a Negative COVID test
- 3. Or must stay out 10 days from the symptom start date.

Please remember to self screen for these symptoms at home before attending school. See <u>attached</u> for the paper screening you may use as a reference. (There is no need to bring these to school daily, just complete at home). <u>Spanish Screener</u>. Please visit the <u>KCHD Website</u> for further information.

We have done a great job so far this year of keeping our students and staff safe, and I want to encourage us all to stay vigilant.

Thank you,

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