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Dear Hornet Families:

We appreciate everyone's effort in helping keep our students safe. Our district's COVID-19 quarantine cases remain minimal to date primarily due to the efforts of our parents, students, staff, and custodians.

Based on updated CDC guidelines, we have added two additional symptoms to our screening guidelines: stomach ache and diarrhea. Please keep the following in mind each day your child comes to school.

Children should be visually inspected by parents/guardians for signs and symptoms of illness BEFORE loading on a school bus or coming to school, including a temperature check. Here is a checklist that includes the symptoms of COVID-19:

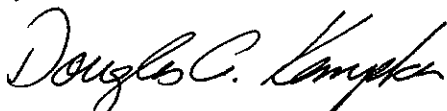
- Fever over 100.4
- Chills
- Cough
- Headache
- Muscle aches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Sore throat
- Close contact with a person with COVID-19 in the last 14 day
- Stomach ache
- Diarrhea

If your child develops any of the above symptoms with a fever while they are at school or at home, the student, **plus any immediate family members**, must stay home and quarantine until one of the following occurs:

- a. They have not had a fever for 24 hours (that is one full day of no fever without the use of medicine that reduces fevers), OR
- b. Other symptoms have improved (for example, when your cough or shortness of breath have improved) OR
- c. a doctors note clearing the child to return

We strive to do our best for our students at all times. We remain confident we will have a great school year, regardless of the challenges that may come our way. Our district is as strong as its weakest link and together we will make the most of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Stay well,



Doug Kempker, Superintendent
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