Dear HCPS Families,

As we anxiously await the return to school for our learners who selected brick and mortar, it is important to continue to share critical information with all stakeholders. As you can imagine, there are many questions regarding the return to school for any student or staff member who has tested positive for COVID-19 or who has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19. For your review, please see the charts below that contain relevant details for school-based incidents.

Positive COVID-19 Result for Employees or Students

Action	Self-Isolation				
Time Duration	10 days				
Start of Self-isolation -Symptomatic	Date symptoms first appeared Date COVID-19 test administered				
Start of Time -Asymptomatic					
End of Self-isolation	At least 10 days have passed and If symptomatic, at least 24 hours have passed since fever without fever-reducing medication and other symptoms have improved				

Employee or Student who has been in Close Contact with Positive COVID-19 Result

Action	Self-quarantine				
Time Duration	14 days				
Start of Self-quarantine	Date last exposed to positive COVID-19				
End of Self-quarantine	After 14 days (if no symptoms have appeared)				

We are asking all parents to monitor their children for symptoms each day before reporting to school. If your child is sick, or exhibiting symptoms, he or she should stay home. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), symptoms of COVID-19 are fever of 100.4 degrees or chills, shortness of breath, cough or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea. Please know that we will work with every learner regarding attendance protocols and how we will continue the instructional process.

If you have questions related to our district response to COVID-19, you may send an email to COVID@hcps.net, call our COVID hotline at 272-4788, or refer to our School Reopening Plan Frequently Asked Questions at hillsboroughschools.org.

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Respectfully,

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