On August 7th Governor Cuomo announced that NYS schools have the green light to open in-person in September. Between now and September 9th he will monitor the infectious rate by region and let us know if there will be any delays in opening. The Governor also requested that we provide *Supplemental Guidance* that includes important aspects from the *Back to School* plan so that the content is accessible.

Remote Learning

If it comes to the point that CVS students have to be taught remotely the following plan will be followed:
- Teachers/LTAs/aides will instruct from their classrooms at the school
- Each student will have a remote instruction plan that provides each teacher with each student's Internet accessibility level.
- Elementary students will follow a modified schedule that each grade level will design. Our goal is for all students in K-6 to have devices as soon as they arrive in the district. For those students who cannot meet through Google Meets the district will deliver flash drives and any other resources necessary to them through the AM bus route. In return, work will be picked up and delivered back to the school, if appropriate.
- Secondary students (grades 7-12) will follow the bell schedule. The expectation is that students will not be in Google Meets for the entire period. Rather students will meet with teachers through Google Meets to instruct students, and then students will work independently. For those students with no or limited Internet access, students will be provided flash drives with lesson and instructional material. Flash drives and any other resources necessary will be delivered to them through the AM bus route. In return, work will be picked up and delivered back to the school, if appropriate.

COVID-19 Testing

The need for COVID-19 testing is now being determined by the referral to a Health Care Provider.

Please note: There may be a cost for COVID testing. Please ask when you call to schedule an appointment, what fees apply and if your insurance will cover the cost. For free testing locations please call the New York State COVID-19 Hotline at 1-888-364-3065

If you live in:
  - Otsego County- Please call 607-547-5555 and inform them that the student/staff member was sent home from school with COVID-19 symptoms and that a COVID-19 test is needed to return to school.- This visit will include a physician evaluation if the individual has symptoms.
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Well Now Urgent Care in Oneonta 607-376-5346- fees apply if asymptomatic and/or do not have health insurance, Please call first to verify if fees apply.

- ○ Schoharie County-Please call 607-547-5555 and inform them that the student/staff member was sent home from school with COVID-19 symptoms and that a COVID-19 test is needed to return to school. - This visit will include a physician evaluation if the individual has symptoms.
- ○ Montgomery County- currently recommending that county residents follow up with their primary care provider and inquire about obtaining a requisition for the test or contact a community testing site. Please inform them that the student/staff member was sent home from school with COVID-19 symptoms and that a COVID-19 test is needed to return to school.

Patients who have orders from their PCP can be directed to:

St. Mary's COVID testing site (Formally St. Mary's Respiratory Clinic) at 4988 State HWY 30 Amsterdam, NY 12010 (memorial campus). Patients will call the testing site at 518-841-3710 to pre-register and will be given an appointment for testing. They remain in their vehicle upon arrival and will be directed to contact 518-841-3710, further instruction will be given at that time.

Since ordering is at the discretion of the provider, instances when the primary care provider will not order testing here are a few COVID-19 testing sites that parents can access:

1. NYSDOH COVID-19 24-hour hotline at 1-888-364-3065 testing location currently is at University at Albany (drive through testing site), patients can call the hotline to register or access the NYSDOH COVID-19 web page at https://covid19screening.health.ny.gov.
    1. Located in Colonial Quad Parking Lot 1400 Washington Ave Albany NY 12206
    2. Open from 8 am -6pm
2. WellNow Urgent Care**- Niskayuna located at 445 Balltown Road Schenectady NY 12304
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    2. Phone number : 518-387-3566
    3. Hours of operation 8am -8pm   over→
3. Rite Aid**- Colonie drive up tent in parking lot
    1. Located at 1863 Central Avenue, Colonie NY 12205
    2. Phone 518-456-0418
    3. Hours of operation 9am -5pm

4. Bassett Healthcare 607-547-5555- multiple locations offered for testing.- This visit will include a physician evaluation if the individual has symptoms.

**Primary Urgent Care in Herkimer offers rapid testing and will test anyone from any county.
Albany St. Herkimer, NY
315-634-6647

 **you are advised to check with the testing site and your insurer in advance of being tested. Fees may apply if you do not have health insurance and/or do not have symptoms.

(The sites may be subject to change and patients should call in advance to all sites to complete the pre-screening/registration process. You can check active sites in your area by going to https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/find-test-site-near-you. You will then be prompted to enter your areas zip code, in return it will provide you with a list of testing locations.)

Testing for those individuals who have no symptoms, but have returned after having traveled to a restricted state or out of the country can be obtained by calling Well Now Urgent Care in Oneonta at 607-376-5346. Please note there may be a fee.

● Our school nurse will be in communication with the Department of Health in the respective counties regarding students/staff who have tested positive for COVID-19 and follow the direction of the Department of Health.

Contract Tracing

● A record will be kept of all students/staff members who exhibit or report symptoms of COVID-19
● **Symptom confirmation at home**
  ○ Students and staff members who report symptoms of COVID-19 based on the screening done at home will remain at home.
  ○ Parents/guardians or staff members will contact the school nurse who will provide information on health care and testing resources and instructions.

Symptom confirmation at school
  ○ Students and staff members exhibiting or self reporting COVID-19 like symptoms, will be sent to the school nurse for assessment.
  ○ The student or staff member will be immediately separated from other students/staff.
  ○ The school nurse will assess if the student/staff member has symptoms consistent with COVID-19. If assessment resembles COVID-19 symptoms:

- ■ The student and all members of their household will be required to be picked up by the parent/guardian. Siblings will be assessed by the school nurse prior to dismissal to parent/guardian.
- ■ The staff member will be required to leave the building. Members of the household will be assessed by the school nurse prior to leaving the building.
- ■ The parent/guardian or staff member will be given information on health care and testing resources and instructions.

   If the symptoms are consistent with COVID-19, the school nurse will notify the administration and maintenance immediately.
   - ○ Cleaning protocols for the rooms the student had been in that day will commence immediately upon confirmation from the school nurse that the symptoms are consistent with COVID-19.
   - ○ Information regarding the student's/staff member's classes, activities and locations throughout the school during the day, including bus information will be noted, in the event that contact tracing needs to occur.

- ● The Department of Health will inform the school of a positive COVID-19 test on a student or staff member.
- ● Contact tracing will be completed by the Local Department of Health in the respective county that the student/staff member resides in when that Department of Health is notified of a positive COVID-19 test result.
- ● As a school district we will assist the Local Departments of Health by providing names and/or contact information of possible contacts when requested by the Department of Health.
- ● The Local Department of Health will determine if a contact needs to be tested and/or quarantined and provide direction at that time.
- ● No testing will be done at or by the school.

Public Meetings
- ● Parent-Student Meetings are scheduled for August 17th - August 27th. If parents cannot attend their scheduled meeting day please contact your building principal.
  - ○ Monday, 17th   6:00   Gr 6   7:30   Gr 12
  - ○ Tuesday, 18th   6:00   Gr 5   7:30   Gr 11
  - ○ Wednesday, 19th   6:00   Gr 4   7:30   Gr 10
  - ○ Thursday, 20th   6:00   Gr 3   7:30   Gr 9
  - ○ Monday, 24th   6:00   Gr 2   7:30   Gr 8
  - ○ Tuesday, 25th   6:00   Gr 1   7:30   Gr 7
  - ○ Wednesday, 26th   6:00   Gr K
  - ○ Thursday, 27th   6:00   Gr PK
- ● Faculty and staff informational meetings will take place August 19th and 20th
  - ○ Wednesday, August 19th   4:00   Secondary Faculty & Staff
  - ○ Thursday, August 20th   2:00   Support Staff

Supplemental Guidance

○   Thursday, August 20th   4:00   Elementary Faculty & Staff

Updates 10/9/20

Before returning to school, the affected student or staff member must have:

If COVID tested:
A Health Care Provider note indicating a COVID test is negative, symptoms are improving and fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication
   OR
A copy of a negative COVID test result, symptoms are improving and fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication
   OR
Release from quarantine by the Department of Health if COVID test is positive

If not COVID tested:

A Health Care Provider note indicating there is another diagnosis as per the NYSDOH guidelines
   OR
If refusal or inability to see a medical provider or obtain COVID test, the student will be referred to the Department of Health and needs to remain out of school at least 10 days.