Tunkhannock Area School District

District Procedures

- The health and safety of students and staff is our highest priority. All students and staff are required to wear a mask that covers the mouth and nose at all times while in our facilities. These will be provided by the District to all students and employees.
- Students who wish to wear a more protective mask, such as an N-95 mask, or a less protective face shield must secure a doctor’s note to do so. Parents should submit doctor notes to the building principal (N-95 masks must be provided by the individual, face shields will be provided by the District.)
- Students and staff may remove their mask to eat and drink, provided they are situated six feet away from others, perform the necessary hand hygiene and replace the mask when they are done.
- Hand sanitizer upon entry to building, handwashing through the day
- Daily health screening

Screening Procedure:
K-7 Health screening will occur upon arrival to homeroom and will be conducted by homeroom teacher (questions will be asked in a manner which is age-appropriate)
8-12 Health screening will occur at the door upon arrival to the building
  - **Temperature**—Using thermal scanner, check temperature. If temperature is greater than 100.4, then wait 5 minutes and retest.
  - **Symptoms**—Have you experienced the following symptoms in the previous 24 hours:
    - Fever
    - Cough
    - Shortness of breath
    - Loss of taste or smell
  - **Exposure**—Have you had any Covid-19 exposure (close contact) within the past 14 days?
  - **Travel**—Have you travelled outside of the US or any state identified on the PA travel restriction list in the past 14 days?

Response:
  - If temperature is greater than 100.4 upon second check or any “yes” response to the screening questions, student will not join class. Teacher will contact the building nurse. The nurse will report to the classroom to pick-up the student.
  - The nurse will take student to nurses’ office and determine if isolation is necessary.
  - Parent will be contacted for pick-up if nurse determines it is necessary.
  - If a student is sent home for “covid-like symptoms,” the student must have the following to return to school:
    - A note from a doctor with an alternate diagnosis
    - Be symptom-free for 24 hours without the assistance of medication

- All communication regarding potential building closures and transition to remote learning will occur via the All-Call system.
- Contact tracing and the direction to quarantine as a result of a positive covid case will be conducted by the Department of Health. Communication of such decisions will come from the school district.