Fall 2021 Sick Policy

**Daily Health Check.** Each student is required to undergo a health screening prior to check in. Upon arrival each day, a parent or guardian must answer the health screening questions on behalf of each student. If any of the below instances is true for a student, that student must stay home from class:

- In the past 24 hours, the student has reported:
  - A fever of 100.4°
  - A cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - A sore throat
  - Headache
  - New loss of taste or smell
  - Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea
  - Congestion or running nose not related to seasonal allergies
  - Unusual fatigue
- Someone living in the household with the student has reported any of the above symptoms
- Within the past 14 days, the student has had a positive test result for COVID-19
- The student is currently awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test
- Within the past 14 days, the student has been instructed by a public health or medical professional to self-monitor, isolate or quarantine because of concerns of COVID-19 infection
- The student has taken medication to reduce a fever prior to coming to class.

If a student is out sick and did not report on the daily health check, they must also complete a health check for the missing days.

**Illness during the program.** If a student presents a fever or reports feeling ill during class, and the determination of the staff is to isolate the student on-site, a parent or legally authorized adult will be called to pick up the student immediately. In the case where a student who has attended class develops symptoms of COVID-19, we will notify all parents with children in that class without releasing any information about the student’s identity.

**Returning to class after illness.** Should the student be sent home from class due to illness with any type of symptoms, our policy is:

- If the symptoms are not suspected of being COVID-19, the student can return to class after being symptom-free for 24 hours.
- Any student with symptoms of suspected or confirmed COVID-19 can return to class when:
  - At least 24 hours have passed since recovery (defined as no fever without the use of medication and improvement in respiratory symptoms like cough and shortness of breath); AND
  - At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

If a student believed they have had close physical contact with someone with COVID-19 but they are not showing illness, their health should be closely monitored for development of a fever, cough, shortness of breath or other COVID-19 symptoms for at least 14 days following the last day they were in contact with the person with COVID-19. The student should not attend class or other public places for those 14 days. All illness or close physical contact with someone with COVID-19 will be reported to staff as soon as possible.