

SOUTH KOOCHICHING - RAINY RIVER SCHOOL DISTRICT #363
NORTHOME SCHOOL

SY 2024-2025 HEALTH PROCEDURE

The South Koochiching-Rainy River School District will continue our efforts to maintain a healthy and safe learning environment for our students, educators, and other staff for the 2024-2025 school year by continuing to follow MDE, MDH and CDC requirements.

These standards include following below:

- Health Screening - All students and staff are asked to conduct a daily self-screening and to stay at home if necessary. This is considered a good general health practice.
- **All students and staff should stay home if they are sick until at least 24 hours after their fever*** (temperature of 99 degrees Fahrenheit or 37.22 degrees Celsius or higher) is gone. Temperature should be measured without the use of fever-reducing medicines (medicines that contain ibuprofen or acetaminophen).
- **All students and staff should stay home if they are vomiting consecutively for a span of 2 hours** and wait to return to school at least 24 hours after the last episode.
- COVID-19:
 - Following direction from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and the Centers of Disease Control (CDC), South Koochiching-Rainy River ISD #363 has modified our guidelines regarding 5-day isolation and quarantine for COVID-19. The following guidelines are now in operation with the District:
 - **Positive COVID-19 Case:** A 5 day isolation period will be required. After the 5 day period, students and employees returning to school must not have symptoms (coughing, fever, tiredness, body aches, etc).
 - **COVID-19 Exposure:** If the student or employee is not exhibiting any symptoms (fever, cough, tiredness, body aches, etc) they may return to school. However, the MDH and CDC recommend masking for 5 consecutive days if an individual was exposed.
 - ***Please note: Students/Employees that choose NOT to wear a mask for 5 consecutive days in the event of a positive or exposure case, will not be allowed to attend school.***
 - Reporting positive cases, quarantine, and isolation:
 - The District will ask student families and/or employees to confirm positive cases of COVID-19 with the Health Office after the positive test date or from the day of the first symptom.
 - The District will ask student families and/or employees to confirm exposure cases of COVID-19 with the Health Office the day of exposure or as soon as they are able.
 - Students in quarantine or isolation will be able to utilize remote learning. If they are able, all students must complete required work or assignments.

South Koochiching-Rainy River ISD #363 will NOT conduct contact tracing initially unless circumstances require. All of these expectations are subject to change as MDH and the CDC may revise their protocol throughout the year or extra safety precautions need to be implemented due to school or community outbreak of COVID-19.

Please notify the Health Office or contact the building principal with questions regarding the Health Policy or precautions relating to COVID-19.