

Temporary Pandemic Illness Policy

This policy has been created by the Trinity Church Day School (TCDS) School Board in response to the global pandemic of COVID-19 during the 2019-2020 winter season. This policy is in addition to our Illness Policy as outlined in the Parent Handbook distributed at the beginning of the school year. This policy will take effect immediately and will remain in effect until the State of Emergency in Maryland has been cancelled, at which time the policy will be revisited and revised by the TCDS School Board. The TCDS School Board reserves the right to make changes or additions to this policy at any time during this rapidly evolving situation.

Families are expected to keep children home for any the following reasons:

- They, or any of their immediate family members, are displaying any flu-like symptoms, especially fever, cough, shortness of breath, or other respiratory symptoms.
- they, or any of their immediate family members, have travelled outside of the United States or within any area where an outbreak of COVID-19 has been reported anytime after February 24, 2020.
- they, or any of their immediate family members, have come in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.
- any siblings or parents have been mandated to remain home from school or work because of confirmed or suspected exposure to COVID-19.

The CDC recommends a 14-day self-quarantine if anyone is concerned they have been exposed to or is displaying symptoms of COVID-19.

The administration of TCDS is working with the Baltimore County Health Department to determine if school closure is necessary. Trinity Church Day School will close under any of the following circumstances as they relate to COVID-19:

- The Baltimore County Health Department recommends that childcare facilities should close.
- Baltimore County Public Schools closes system-wide.
- Any of our three main local schools close: Carroll Manor Elementary, Jacksonville Elementary, or Pine Grove Elementary.

The length of closure will be determined based on recommendations from the Baltimore County Health Department.

Please note that this temporary policy is put into place to protect not only the health of our students but also the health of their family members. School closure will happen only to slow the spread of this illness in the community.

Please complete and return the bottom portion of this sheet by Monday, March 23, 2020.

I have read the information regarding the Temporary Pandemic Illness Policy. I understand the policy and agree to adhere to it.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Name (printed): _____

Child(ren)'s Name(s): _____