



NEC Healthy Together Agreement: Students, Parents, and Guardians

September 2020

As we re-open NEC for the 2020-2021 School Year, we are still in the midst of a serious public health crisis. We are committed to providing your student with a clean and safe environment, and have been vigilant in following CDC, State of Massachusetts, and DESE guidance.

Before sending your child back to school, you must review the attached expectations and guidelines, and agree to follow them. It will be very helpful if you review these expectations with your child, to the best of their developmental ability, and when appropriate help them practice expectations such as handwashing and face covering.

General Health and Safety:

1. Before I send my child to school each day, I will make sure that they have no symptoms of COVID19 and have not been exposed to anyone with COVID19.
2. If my child has any symptoms, I will keep them home.
3. If my child has been exposed to anyone with COVID19, I will inform the school nurse or school principal, and will keep my child home for 14 days.
4. If my child tests positive for COVID19, I will inform the school nurse and school principal and keep them home for at least 14 days or as advised by DPH.
5. If my child develops symptoms while at school, I will pick them up immediately and/or have made arrangements for a trusted adult to pick them up.
6. While some coughs and sneezes may be unrelated to COVID19, I will work with the school team to make sure that my child can follow proper procedures to cover their cough. If they are unable to do so, and unable to wear a mask, they might have to stay home from school for a period of time.

Face Covering

1. I understand that my child will be expected to wear a face covering in accordance with NEC guidance. I will do my best to help them understand and practice this expectation before returning to school.
2. I understand that they may bring their own face covering or may use one provided by NEC.
3. If my child is unable to wear a mask, I will discuss this with the school nurse, classroom teacher, or principal and make an appropriate plan.

Hand Washing and Sanitizing

1. I understand that my child will be asked to wash their hands with soap and water several times a day.

2. I understand that an approved alcohol based hand sanitizer may be used unless I have specifically requested that it not be.

Remote Learning

1. I understand the expectations for and the limitations of remote learning as described in the Handbook.
2. I agree to support the remote learning components of my child's program to the best of my ability, and to do my best to assure that my child has an appropriate space for remote learning, and that all privacy and confidentiality rules are enforced.

Other

1. I understand that my child will be expected to maintain social distancing and comply with other new safety guidelines to the best of their ability.
2. I understand that expectations will be based on the age and developmental ability of each student, but that if my child's behavior jeopardizes the health and safety of others, the team may need to convene to make alternative plans such as a period of remote learning.

I have read the Healthy Together Update and agree to follow all procedures outlined on this page and within the attached document. I understand that failure to do so may result in my child not being able to attend in-person instruction during this public health crisis.

Name of Parent or Guardian:

Name of Student:

School or Program:

Date:

Signature of Parent or Guardian: