It is the intent of Buncombe County Schools to provide safe and effective learning environments. The following information is being provided to parents and students for the 2020/2021 school year. In order to ensure the safety of all employees and students, BCS is asking all parents/guardians to screen their child(ren) following the steps below before school each day.

1. Diagnosed?
Since they were last at school, has your child been diagnosed with COVID-19?

2. Exposed?
Has your child had close contact (within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes) in the last 14 days with someone diagnosed with COVID-19, or has any health department or health care provider advised your child to quarantine?

3. Symptoms?
Does your child have any of the following symptoms?
- Fever (100.4°F or greater) • Sore Throat • New Cough • Difficulty Breathing
- Diarrhea or Vomiting • New Onset of a Severe Headache, Especially with Fever
- New Loss of Taste or Smell

If you answered YES to any of the above questions, your child should not attend school.

Please ensure that your child is screened using this quick check each morning before reporting to the bus stop or school. If the answer to any of the above questions is yes, your child should not report to the bus stop or to school. Please contact your physician for further instructions. COVID-19 questions can also be answered by the Buncombe County Ready Team at 828-419-0095 or ready@buncombecounty.org.

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