

Students: What do I do if become unwell during the school day:

Pupils should not attend school if displaying any [symptoms of COVID-19](#). Common symptoms of coronavirus include:

- [a fever \(high temperature - 38 degrees Celsius or above\)](#)
- [a cough](#) - this can be any kind of cough, not just dry
- [shortness of breath](#) or breathing difficulties
- [loss or change to your sense of smell or taste](#) – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

It can take up to 14 days for symptoms to show. They can be similar to symptoms of [cold](#) and [flu](#). Getting an early diagnosis from your GP means, you can get the help you need and take steps to avoid spreading the virus, if you have it.

In Clonakilty Community College:

- If you become unwell and display any of the above symptoms raise your hand to inform your teacher.
- Teacher rings DP to make them aware pupil is feeling unwell.
- Where possible the pupil wears a face covering and takes their bag with them.
- The DP accompanies the pupil to the designated isolation area via the isolation route, making sure that others maintain a distance of at least 2 metres from the symptomatic person at all times.
- The College will contact Parents immediately.
- Parent rings 023-8833877 upon arrival to the college.
- If well enough to be brought home, the pupil will be accompanied outside to the parent who will call their doctor and continue self-isolation at home. Public transport of any kind should not be used.
- If the pupil is too unwell to go home or advice is required, the Principal will ring 999 or 112 and inform them that the sick person is a COVID-19 suspect.
- The college will facilitate the pupil presenting with symptoms to remain in isolation if they cannot immediately go home and facilitate them calling their doctor. The pupil should avoid touching people, surfaces and objects. The pupil will be asked to cover their mouth and nose with the disposable tissue provided when they cough or sneeze and put the tissue in the waste bag provided.
- The Principal will carry out an assessment of the incident, which will form part of determining follow-up actions and recovery.
- The college will arrange for appropriate cleaning of the isolation area and work areas involved.
- The HSE will inform any pupil/parent who have come into close contact with a diagnosed case via the contact tracing process. The HSE will contact all relevant persons where a diagnosis of COVID-19 is made. The instructions of the HSE will be followed and pupil confidentiality is essential at all times.
- Parents are asked to follow HSE guidelines by clicking the following link:
<https://www2.hse.ie/coronavirus/>