

Good evening parents of the Randolph County School System,

This is Stephen Gainey. I am calling to make you aware of the following items related to changes to our school system's COVID-19 procedures:

- 1) Effective tomorrow (1/3/22), Carolina Community Tracing Collaborative (also known as CCTC), an organization supporting the COVID-19 efforts of local health departments in North Carolina, will handle communications to parents about students to be removed or excluded from school due to having COVID-19 symptoms, being positive for COVID-19, or being exposed to a positive COVID-19 person. This same group will handle communications to staff members who need to be removed or excluded from the school setting for one of the previously-noted COVID-19 concerns.
- 2) Parents and staff members should continue to report COVID-19 concerns to their school. Staff members of CCTC will analyze this information with the aid of Randolph County Public Health and establish quarantine periods with return dates for affected students and staff members. This information will be communicated to parents and staff members through telephone calls and/or emails by the staff members of CCTC. These telephone calls will come from the following telephone number: 844-628-7223. Also, the caller ID on your telephone for these telephone calls will show up as "Contact Tracing."
- 3) With this new process, school staff members will only make telephone calls associated with students and staff members who are sick while at school during a school day and need to be sent home.

Please know that I greatly appreciate your support of our school system. This message also will be posted on the school system's webpage for your reference.

I hope everyone has a great night!!!!