I have been asked to pick my child(ren) up at school due to signs of COVID-19 Related symptoms. What do we do now?

Schools and the Grey Bruce Public Health Unit are working collectively to keep your children safe. As part of our collective protocols, school administrators will work with public health to identify students who display symptoms of COVID-19. When you are asked to pick up your child from school, or a student is absent due to illness, parents/guardians are directed to complete the COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children in School and Child Care and follow their recommendations.

Assessment Centre Locations in Grey Bruce

Grey Bruce Health Services – Owen Sound Regional Hospital
Location: Portable Facility, Owen Sound Hospital Emergency Department
Telephone: (519) 378-1466
For hours information on Assessment Centre operations or to book an appointment please visit: https://gbhs.simplybook.me/v2/

South Bruce Grey Health Centre – Kincardine Hospital
Location: Portable Facility, located between the Kincardine Hospital and Medical Clinic
Telephone: (226) 257-1500
For hours information on Assessment Centre operations or to book an appointment please visit: www.sbghc.on.ca and click ‘Book a COVID-19 Test’

Hanover & District Hospital
Location: Main entrance to the hospital
Telephone: (519) 364-2340
For hours information on Assessment Centre operations or to book an appointment please visit: https://www.hanoverhospital.on.ca/news.php?pgid=121
Return to School Protocol

Your child will be permitted to return to school if:

1. Your child had only one symptom that has resolved within a 24 hour observation period AND they passed the COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children in School and Child Care

OR

2. Your child was tested for COVID-19:
   Your child had a negative COVID-19 test after starting to feel sick AND has been symptom-free or symptoms have improved for 24 hours AND has NOT been told by the Grey Bruce Health Unit or a healthcare provider to continue to self-isolate for a total of 14 days because your child was a close contact of a person with COVID-19.

OR

3. Your child was NOT tested for COVID-19:
   Your child did NOT have a COVID-19 test but completed 14 days of self-isolation from the date when your child started to feel sick AND they passed the COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children in School and Child Care
   You took your child to a doctor or nurse practitioner during the time since your child was sent home or denied entry to school. The doctor or nurse practitioner has confirmed that another diagnosis (medical reason) other than COVID-19 explains your child’s symptoms (why your child was feeling sick).

In order to attend school students must pass the COVID-19 school screening.
Visit https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/

Siblings of the symptomatic child (the child who is not well) can continue to attend school as long as they remain asymptomatic (not showing any Covid-19 symptoms) and have not been informed by Public Health to remain at home due to being a close contact of a positive COVID-19 case.