



Pennsylvania  
Department of Education

# School District Enrollee Wellness Checks

## Who?

Each student enrolled in the school district that receives academic instruction exclusively through the school district's virtual instruction program for the full school year

## When?

At least once during any week consisting of at least three full or partial days of academic instruction

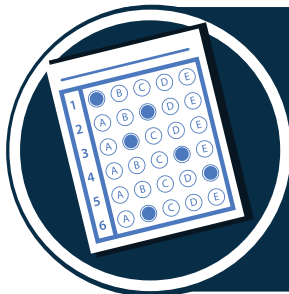
## Why?

Ensure student is visibly seen and communicated with in real time by staff or other representative of the school district subject to 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 63 to ensure the well-being of the student and verify participation in the virtual program

## This requirement may be satisfied by:



Student turning on a webcam and a teacher, administrator or other representative of the school district subject to 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 63 visibly seeing and communicating with the student during synchronous online instruction



Participation in virtual or face-to-face health screenings, standardized testing, advising and tutoring and in-person school sponsored activities chaperoned by a teacher, administrator or other representative of the school district subject to 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 63

*If any indication of abuse, neglect or harm to a child is observed, a school district administrator, employee or representative shall report the concerns in accordance with 23 PA.C.S. Ch.63.*

*No later than **March 1** of each year for the following school year, each school district with virtual instruction program shall establish a wellness check policy and post the wellness check policy on its publicly accessible website.*

# Why did the student miss the wellness check?



**Excused Absence**  
in accordance with  
24 P.S. § 13–1329

Next school  
day<sup>1</sup>:

Conduct  
wellness  
check

**Student  
missed  
wellness  
check**



**Documented  
power or internet  
outage**

Next school day  
after outage has  
been resolved:

Conduct  
wellness  
check

**Student  
missed  
wellness  
check**



**Unexcused**

## Next school day:

- ☐ Send a written notice to the person in parental relation, in their preferred language, that the required wellness check has not been completed
- AND**
- ☐ Make documented ongoing efforts to complete the required wellness check using at least two different methods of communication

## Within 3 school days of written notice:

- ☐ Schedule wellness review conference for next school day (if wellness check has not yet been completed)

## Next school day:

- ☐ Hold wellness review conference with or without student and person in parental relation (if wellness check has not yet been completed)

**Student  
missed  
wellness review  
conference**



**Within 24 hours:** Conduct  
an in-person well visit  
(if wellness check has not  
yet been completed)

<sup>1</sup>If the excused absence covers the entire instructional week, the student is exempt from the wellness check for the week.



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