

GUIDANCE ON COVID-19 EXPOSURE FOR SCHOOLS

Are you experiencing COVID-19 symptoms? They include:

(One or more of these symptoms that is a new onset or is an increase in severity)

- » **Fever*** (100.4°F or 38°C) without having taken any fever-reducing medications, such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
- » **Loss of smell or taste***
- » **New or unusual headache***
- » Nausea, **vomiting***, **diarrhea***, or loss of appetite
- » **Cough***
- » **Sore throat***
- » Fatigue
- » Congestion or runny nose
- » Chills
- » Shortness of breath
- » Muscle aches

*The presence of any of these symptoms generally suggest a student, teacher, or staff member has an infectious illness and should not attend school, regardless of whether the illness is COVID-19. Individuals should not be at the school in-person if they identify new development of any of these symptoms. If the individual is unvaccinated they should not be at the school in-person if household members identify new development of these symptoms.

YES, I HAVE SYMPTOMS

NO SYMPTOMS

FOLLOW ILLNESS DECISION TREE FOR SCHOOLS

Illness Decision Tree found, [here](#).

Have you been in contact with someone who has been diagnosed with or tested positive for COVID-19?

YES

UNKNOWN
Ex: attended an event where someone was positive and deemed infectious, but is unknown.

NO

Are you fully vaccinated for COVID-19?

Fully vaccinated means you have had all doses of the vaccine and it has been two weeks since the final dose.

YES

NO

Yes, direct physical contact or close contact
(within 6 feet for 15 or more minutes)

Yes, non-close contact
(outside 6 feet or within 6 feet for a brief period of time)

Practice physical distancing and good hygiene.

Practice physical distancing, good hygiene, **AND** watch for symptoms.

Test at day 3-5 after exposure even if asymptomatic. After the exposure, wear a mask for 14 days or until the negative test result. If positive, isolate for 10 days.

Recommended quarantine of 7-14 days from exposure date. Some exceptions can be made regarding length of quarantine. Individuals who have tested positive, remain symptom free, and completed an isolation period in the last 90 days, does not need to quarantine. **More details found, [here](#).**

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If physical distancing was practiced among **ALL** participants – watch for signs and symptoms. If symptoms develop follow the illness decision tree. If **NOT**, quarantine for 7-14 days from exposure date. **More details found, [here](#).**