



COVID-19 Exclusion Guidance Decision Tree for Symptomatic People

Situation	Return to School	Required Documentation	Siblings & Household Members
Positive COVID-19 Test (with or without symptoms)	The local county health department will provide instruction about when it is safe to return to school	None. The local county health department will communicate this information to the school	The local county health department will provide instruction to siblings and household members about when it is safe to return to school
Close contact (within 6 feet for a total of 15 minutes) with someone with confirmed COVID-19	After 14-day quarantine if individual never developed symptoms. If individual develops symptoms, refer to the symptomatic scenarios. The individual must quarantine for 14 days after contact with the COVID-19 positive person even if the student has an alternative diagnosis for symptoms or tests negative.	None	Siblings and household members may stay in school, unless the sibling or household member develops symptoms of COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19 during quarantine period
COVID-19 symptoms with confirmed alternative diagnosis (e.g. GI illness, strep throat)	Per medical provider guidance and after 24 hours fever free without fever-reduction medication and improvement of symptoms	Written documentation from licensed medical provider that symptoms were caused by a condition other than COVID-19	Siblings and household members should be excluded from school until alternative diagnosis is determined
COVID-19 symptoms with negative COVID-19 test after symptom onset	After 24 hours fever free without fever-reducing medication and improvement of symptoms	Documentation of a negative COVID-19 PCR test obtained after onset of symptoms. Individual must NOT have had a positive COVID-19 test during this illness	Siblings and household members should be excluded from school until confirmation of the negative COVID-19 test and they do not develop any symptoms consistent with COVID-19
COVID-19 symptoms AND No testing	After 10-day isolation from the date symptoms began AND 24 hours fever free without fever-reducing medication AND improvement in symptoms	None	Siblings and household members will need to remain home for 14-day quarantine and monitor for symptoms