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Effective January 12, 2022

**Students or Staff Members who Receive Positive COVID-19 Test Results:**

- The person who tested positive should self-isolate at home for five (5) days from the onset of symptoms (or from the test date if there are no symptoms). Day 0 is the day of **reported** onset of symptoms or the date of the test (if no symptoms).
- The student or staff member may return to school/work on Day 6 if the symptoms have **fully** resolved (there is no fever for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications). If a healthcare provider is currently treating the positive case, the student or staff members shall submit any "Return to Work/School" statements if available.
- The student or staff member shall wear a well-fitting mask for an additional five days at school (days 6-10)
  - If the student or staff is unable to wear a mask, then they must self-isolate at home for the full ten days and return on Day 11.
- If symptoms are continuing past Day 5, students and staff are not to return on Day 6. They shall continue to self-isolate until symptoms are **fully** resolved (no fever for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications). Isolate the full ten days and then return on Day 11.
  - Notify school attendance clerk/office manager of anticipated return to school/work date to assist with homework collection/work duty assignments.

**Direct Contact of an "At School" Positive Case:**

NOTE: All of the instructions below apply **only** where universal masking is in place and are regardless of vaccination status.

- Students/staff members are notified of exposure but do not have to quarantine if there are no symptoms.
- A staff member who is a direct contact or parents of a student who is a direct contact should...
  - Watch for any COVID-like symptoms to include fever, congestion, cough, loss of taste/smell, stomach issues, etc.
  - Seek a COVID test on days 5-7 ~ recommended but not required.
    - COVID testing is available through the Healthy Kids Clinics at each school. Please notify the office, the child's teacher or the school nurse to request a test.

**Direct Contact of an "At-Home" Positive Case:**

If a positive case has been identified in the household and the staff or student is identified as a direct contact:

- A parent/staff member should report household exposure to the school.
- If the direct contact reports that he/she is fully vaccinated (*meaning not in need of a booster for ages 18 and up only*), then no quarantine is required - only masking for ten days.
- If the direct contact is NOT fully vaccinated (*to include any required boosters if over 18 years of age*), then there are two options:
  - Option #1 - Participate in “Test to Stay” (see chart below).
  - Option #2 - Quarantine at home AWAY from the positive case (see chart below).

Test to Stay {Modified Quarantine}	Quarantine (at home)
Day 0 - {LAST DAY OF EXPOSURE TO POSITIVE CASE} **No testing --- Allowed to stay at school	Day 0 - {LAST DAY OF EXPOSURE TO POSITIVE CASE}
Day 1- Student/Staff Member tested - Go to school only if negative - wear mask	Day 1 - home in quarantine
Day 2- Student/Staff Member tested - Go to school only if negative - wear mask	Day 2 - home in quarantine
Day 3-Student/Staff Member tested - Go to school only if negative - wear mask	Day 3 - home in quarantine
Day 4- Student/Staff Member tested - Go to school only if negative - wear mask	Day 4 - home in quarantine
Day 5- Student/Staff Member tested - Go to school only if negative - wear mask **(Special Note—if Day 5 falls on a weekend or day that school is not in session, then the individual will be tested the next day that school is in session)	Day 5- home in quarantine
Day 6 -10 - Continue to Wear Mask and self-monitor symptoms to include taking temperature	Day 6 - 10 - Return to School & Extracurricular Activities/ Wear a Mask/ Self-Monitor Symptoms to include taking temperature
IF SYMPTOMS BEGIN, THEN GET TESTED & STAY HOME UNTIL SYMPTOMS ARE IMPROVED & NO FEVER FOR 24 HOURS WITHOUT FEVER-REDUCING MEDICATION.	IF SYMPTOMS BEGIN, THEN GET TESTED & STAY HOME UNTIL SYMPTOMS ARE IMPROVED & NO FEVER FOR 24 HOURS WITHOUT FEVER-REDUCING MEDICATION.

