

## **Students Exposure at school - Quarantine**

### **Summary guidance**

*Exposure day counts as day zero*

- **Vaccinated:** Completed the **primary series** of COVID-19 vaccines OR were previously infected with (laboratory confirmed) SARS-CoV-2 within the last 90 days:
  - Can remain in school if they are asymptomatic
  - Recommended testing at day 5 (we should request to provide this test at our school sites along with our modified quarantine testing)
- **Unvaccinated**
  - Modified Quarantine
    - When both parties were wearing a mask they may continue to attend school for in-person instruction if they:
      - Are asymptomatic;
      - Continue to appropriately mask, as required;
      - Undergo at least twice weekly testing during quarantine (testing to occur at school with either school BinaxNow or rapid antigen that a parent has brought in); and
      - Continue to quarantine for all extracurricular activities at school, including sports, and activities within the community setting.
    - Should symptoms develop, this is considered “presumed positive” and the positive process of 10 day Isolation will begin.
    - May return day 6 with a negative test taken on day 5 and no or improved symptoms
  - Full Quarantine
    - Standard quarantine
      - Students who were not wearing masks or for whom the infected individual was not wearing a mask during the exposure);
      - Students who do not undergo weekly testing
    - Quarantine Duration
      - They remain asymptomatic (meaning they have NOT had any symptoms), may discontinue self-quarantine under the following conditions
      - Quarantine can end after Day 10 from the date of last exposure without testing; OR
      - Quarantine can end after day 5 if symptoms are not present and a diagnostic specimen collected on day 5 or later tests negative. If unable to test or choosing not to test, and symptoms are not present, quarantine can end after day 10
        - This can be an At-Home test Rapid Antigen
        - Parent can email test results to the school
        - If any symptoms develop during this 10 day period, the exposed person must immediately isolate, get tested and contact their healthcare provider with any questions regarding their care.

**Group Tracing Approach** - students who spent more than a cumulative total of 15 minutes (within a 24-hour time period) in a shared indoor airspace (e.g., classroom) with someone with COVID-19 during their period of infectiousness.

- Notification should occur to "groups" of exposed students (e.g., classmates, teammates, cohorts, etc.) rather than contact tracing to identify individual "close contacts" (e.g., those within 6 feet).

- Notifications should be provided to all individuals considered exposed, including those who are vaccinated and/or recently infected.
- If the school has notified you that your student was identified using the Group Tracing Approach, the following Quarantine guidelines will apply:
  - Exposed students, regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status or prior infection, should get tested for COVID-19 with at least one diagnostic test obtained within 3-5 days after last exposure.
  - Any FDA-approved antigen diagnostic test or PCR diagnostic test can be used.
  - Exposed students may remain in school so long as they are asymptomatic and test negative.
    - Should symptoms develop, this is considered “presumed positive” and the positive process of 10 day Isolation will begin.
    - May return day 6 with a negative test taken on day 5 and no or improved symptoms