

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOUR CHILD IS SICK, TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19, OR IS A CLOSE CONTACT?

IF...

Your child has one or more symptoms that could be COVID:

- Fever of 100.4 or higher
- Sore throat
- Cough
- Difficulty breathing
- Diarrhea or vomiting
- Headache
- Loss of taste or smell

(If your child has a chronic condition, the symptoms should be new or unusual.)

THEN...

If they're at school, your child will be given a COVID test and sent home. If the result is negative, they can return to school when the symptoms are better.

If they're at home, then keep them home and notify the school. City Schools recommends getting a COVID test. If you do not get a test, the student cannot return to school until

- They have no symptoms for 48 hours without taking fever-reducing medicine *or*
- You provide medical documentation that the symptoms are not related to COVID.

ATTENDANCE

Your child will be marked with an excused absence while recovering from symptoms and unable to do schoolwork.

Your child will be marked present for days when still recovering but is well enough to do schoolwork at home.

Your child tests positive for COVID.

Your child must quarantine at home for at least five days. They can return to school if

- They had no symptoms
- They had symptoms, but had no fever on Day 5 and other symptoms are improving.

Otherwise, for students who had symptoms, they must continue to quarantine until symptoms are improving and there has been no fever for 24 hours.

If the positive test was done at school, City Schools will notify the school community and provide rapid tests to close contacts and/or members of the positive pool if applicable.

If the positive test was outside school, parents must notify the school so contact tracing can start.

Your child will be marked with an excused absence while recovering from symptoms and unable to do schoolwork.

Your child will be marked present for days they are well enough to do schoolwork at home.



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ATTENDANCE

Your child is a close contact of someone who tested positive for COVID at school.

If your child is vaccinated, they can remain in school and should receive a rapid test as well as participate in pool testing the following week.

If your child recovered from COVID in the last 90 days, they can remain in school.

If your child is unvaccinated and has a consent form for testing, they will be given a rapid test and can stay at school if the test is negative. (Anyone who tests positive must isolate at home.)

If student is unvaccinated and does not participate in testing at school, they must quarantine at home for a minimum of five days. Parents can obtain a test from a medical provider. If it is negative, your child can return to school before the end of the five-day quarantine.

For unvaccinated students who do not participate in testing at school and who do not obtain a test from a medical provider, the five days of quarantine will be marked as an unexcused absence.

Your child is a close contact of someone who tested positive for COVID outside of school, including siblings and other household contacts.

If your child is vaccinated or has recovered from COVID within the past 90 days, they can stay in school.

If your child is unvaccinated, they must quarantine at home for a minimum of five days. Parents should let the school know.

For siblings, the length of the quarantine depends on whether the COVID-positive person can be isolated from the other members of the household. If isolation is possible, the unvaccinated student can return to school after five days, as long as they do not have COVID symptoms. If isolation is not possible, the quarantine period is ten days.

Unvaccinated students will be marked present if doing schoolwork remotely from home. Otherwise, the five days of quarantine will be marked as an unexcused absence.

Your child is a member of an elementary or elementary/middle school pool that tests positive.

Your child can remain in school and will receive a rapid test.

If the rapid test is positive, then your child is sent home to isolate for at least five days.

If the rapid test is negative and another member of the pool tests positive, your child can remain in school.

If the rapid test is negative for all members of the pool, then each member of the pool receives a follow-up PCR test. All students may remain in school while PCR results are pending.