



School Protocol for COVID-19

Student or Staff is Symptomatic With:
Fever, Cough, Shortness of Breath
Headache, Congestion, Sore Throat, Loss of Smell or Taste
Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhea
Muscle Pain, Body Aches.



- Student or staff has a note from Physician with okay to return
- OR, negative COVID test result.

- Isolate and send home as soon as possible.
- Advise student parent/guardian or staff to notify and consult with Primary Care Physician.
- Must have a Physician note to return to school or a negative COVID test result (depends on Physician evaluation of symptoms and recommendation).

- Student or staff tests positive for COVID.
- School must contact Public Health.



- Allow Student or staff to return to school.



- Public Health will contact Parent/Guardian of positive student or positive staff to perform case investigation and contact tracing (*if the case is NOT a Montgomery County Resident the case will go to the county of residency of that positive case*).
- The Public Health Department will work with the school to identify close contacts within school environment.
- A close contact is defined as a person who was within 6 Feet or less for more than 10 minutes of the positive case (even with face covering on) while they were symptomatic or within 48 hours prior to symptoms.
- Close contacts will be advised to quarantine for 14 days from last date of potential exposure to positive case, monitor for symptoms and contact their primary care physician.



- Positive Student or staff will isolate for a minimum of 10 days from start of symptoms (*or test date if no symptoms.*)
- Student or staff must be 72 hours fever free and improvement of symptoms before released from isolation by Public Health.

- Close contacts to a positive case can return to school after 14 day quarantine period.
- Student or staff must be 72 hours fever free and no worsening of any developed symptoms before released from quarantine by Public Health.