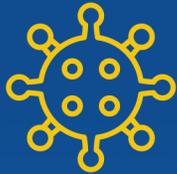


This flowsheet provides an overview for students and staff of what to do if someone in their school is exposed to COVID-19 or becomes symptomatic. All COVID-19 cases must be reported to the Philadelphia Department of Public Health at 215-685-5488 for contact tracing and further guidance.

## What to do if ...



Someone is **EXPOSED\*** to a confirmed case of COVID-19:

**QUARANTINE** for 14 days. Stay home & away from others

**If remains asymptomatic**

Can return to school 14 days after last day of exposure (if exposure was in household, must quarantine for 14 days from when COVID-19 positive individual ends their isolation).

**If develops symptoms of COVID-like illness\*\***

**If test results are NEGATIVE**

Can return to school once 14 day quarantine period is over & meets other return to school criteria for after an illness.

**If test results are POSITIVE**

Can return to school at least 10 days after onset of symptoms AND 1 day without fever, off fever reducing medicines AND symptoms improving. Call PDPH at **215-685-5488**.

Close contacts of the COVID-19 positive individual follow the exposed flow chart. In a school settings, all children & staff in the same cohort (classroom) as a COVID-19 positive individual are considered exposed and must quarantine. Decisions about possible whole school closures should be made in partnership with PDPH.

**If test results are NEGATIVE**

Can return to school when symptoms resolve and meets normal return to school criteria after an illness (if not exposed) OR upon completing 14 days of quarantine (if exposed).

**Definitions**

\*Exposure: spending at least 15 minutes, less than 6 feet apart from someone with a confirmed case of COVID-19 starting from 48 hour prior to that person developing symptoms. In a school, all children & staff in the same cohort (classroom) as the COVID-19 positive individual are considered exposed.

\*\*A COVID-like illness has at least ONE major symptom (new or persistent cough, shortness of breath, new loss of sense of smell/taste) OR at least TWO minor symptoms (fever, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, congestion/ runny nose).

## What to do if ...

Someone has **SYMPTOMS** of COVID-like illness\*\*:



**Symptomatic individual should leave the school immediately & stay home and away from others.**

**Get COVID tested and/or assessed by a healthcare provider.**

Must remain in isolation until results are available. Quarantines of close contacts NOT suggested while awaiting test results.

**If neither tested nor seen by a healthcare provider**

Can return to school at least 10 days after onset of symptoms AND 1 day without fever off fever-reducing medicines AND symptoms improving.

**If healthcare provider documents alternative diagnosis**

Can return to school based on healthcare provider's documentation.