

Guidance for Schools COVID-19 Positive Case Exposure

When there is an exposure on campus (someone has tested positive and been on school grounds within 48 hours of positive test/symptom onset), this document will assist you in making decisions on how to slow the spread to others and determine quarantine needs. 08/02/2021 LBK

Step 1: Identify

Determine individuals who were in close contact with the positive case.

Step 2: Investigate

Is the close contact vaccinated?

YES

Step 3: Action

With no symptoms there is no further action for vaccinated close contacts.

NO

Step 2: Investigate

Has the close contact tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 3 months?

YES

With no symptoms, there is no further action.

NO

Step 3: Action

If not, will have to use vaccine status/mask status to determine.

Step 2: Investigate

Was approved mask wearing in place for both the positive case and close contact?

YES

Step 3: Action

If both individuals were wearing masks, then no further action is needed.

NO

If no masks/in-correct mask use/only one person wearing a mask the close contact if unvaccinated will have to quarantine at home and watch for symptoms. If no symptoms develop the quarantine period is 10 days out of school OR 7 days out of school with a negative antigen test on day 5 or after. Upon return to school, mask must be worn to complete 14 day period.

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DEFINITIONS

Action: Notification to individual to quarantine OR no mitigation strategy applicable.

Close Contact:: Within 6' for more than 15 minutes, cumulatively in 24-hour period.

Investigate: Determine vaccine status of close contacts, infection status, OR determine mask use of positive case and the close contact.

Quarantine: Exclusion from others to monitor for development of symptoms, 14 days. Alternative options available (10 days or 7) but if using alternative, masks must be worn in outside of the home.

Symptoms: Fever (100.4F or greater), sore throat, cough, difficulty breathing, new loss taste/smell, diarrhea/vomiting, new headache.

Vaccinated: At least 2 weeks after getting their second dose in a 2-dose series or one-dose of a single dose series.

Questions?

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