Student Symptom Decision Tree

Screen all students for potential COVID-19 symptoms or exposure

Low-risk: general symptoms

High-risk: red flag symptoms



Fever (≥100.4°F)



Sore throat



Cough



Congestion/runny nose



Headache



Difficulty breathing



Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea



Fatigue/muscle or body aches



Loss of taste/smell

Exposure to COVID-19 positive person?

Close contact: less than 6 feet, 15 minutes or longer



▶ 1 low risk symptom



Send home



Return to school 24 hrs after symptom resolution (without fever reducing medication)

≥2 low risk symptoms
OR 1 high risk symptom





Send home



Consider an evaluation by health care provider

Health care provider confirms alternative diagnosis for symptoms.



Return to school after 24 hrs without fever and symptoms improving

Negative SARS-CoV-2 PCR test.



Return to school after 24 hrs without fever and symptoms improving

Positive SARS-CoV-2
PCR test
OR
No provider visit or test.



Return to school only after 10 days since symptom onset and 24 hrs without fever and other symptoms have significantly improved.

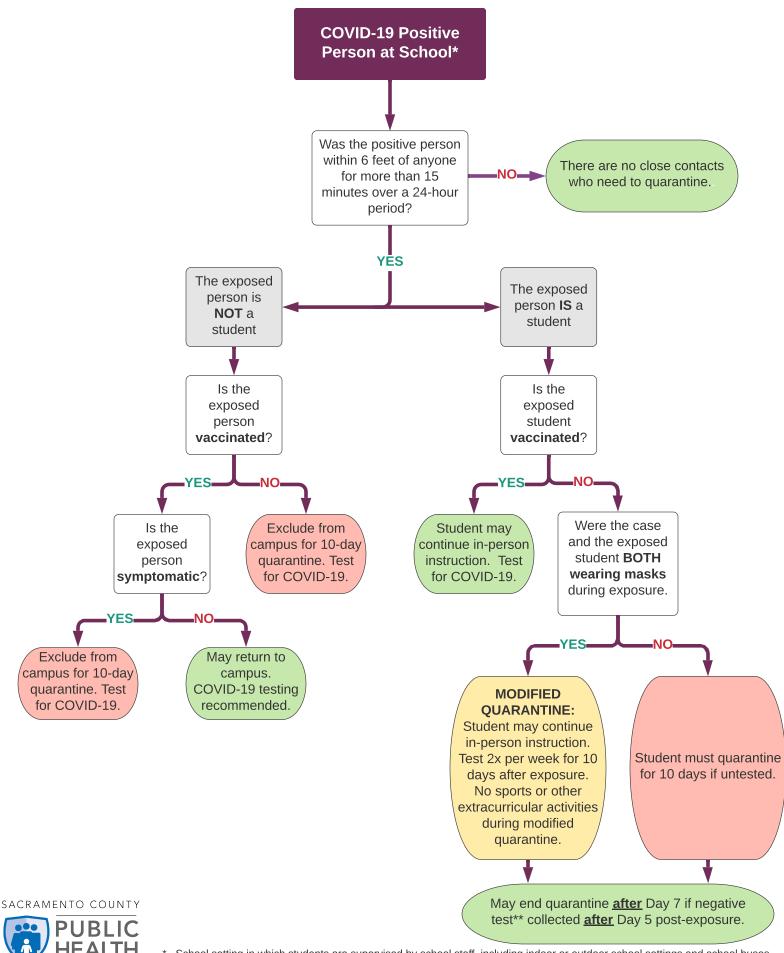


See page two for quarantine options.



This care pathway was designed to assist school personnel and is not intended to replace the clinician's judgment or establish a protocol for all patients with a particular condition. Diagnosis and treatment should be under the close supervision of a qualified health care provider. Guidance might change

COVID-19 Quarantine Decision Tree for K-12 Schools



- * School setting in which students are supervised by school staff, including indoor or outdoor school settings and school buses.
- ** PCR or rapid antigen testing are acceptable testing methods.

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