

COVID-19 Quarantine Guidance Flowchart

K-12 schools

Close Contact
Are you staff or a student?



* Quarantine can end 10 days after exposure if no symptoms develop with careful daily monitoring. Continue to monitor for a full 14 days. Quarantine can end after 7 days if the person does not develop symptoms and tests negative 5 days after exposure or later. All activities can be resumed on Day 8 with a negative test.

A person is considered a close contact if they were within 6 ft of an infectious person for 15 consecutive minutes or more in an indoor school setting with or without a mask.

EXCEPTION: In the K–12 indoor classroom setting, the close contact definition excludes students who were within 3 to 6 feet of an infected student (laboratory-confirmed or a clinically compatible illness) if both the infected student and the exposed student(s) correctly and consistently wore well-fitting masks the entire time.¹