

What to do if a Person is Symptomatic at School



If a person has one or more of these symptoms:

- Fever ($\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$) or chills
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Muscle or body aches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Cough (new, changed, or worsening)

- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Headache
- Fatigue
- Sore throat



They should isolate at home AND get tested for COVID-19



They should isolate at home

Was **only ONE** symptom present?

NO

YES

Did the symptom resolve within 24 hours **OR** are they consistent with a diagnosed chronic illness?

NO

YES

Are they a known **close contact**?

NO

YES

If they do not receive an alternative named diagnosis from a health care provider **OR** do not get tested



They test **POSITIVE** for COVID-19



They test **NEGATIVE** for COVID-19 **OR** receive an alternative named diagnosis from a health care provider plus a negative test

AND

Isolate at home

They can return to school after 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared if:

1. No fever within the past 24 hours (without medication)

AND

2. Symptoms have significantly improved

Identify close contacts

See **Tree 2** and follow [COVID-19 Contact Tracing Guide for K-12 Schools](#)

Return to school

They can return to school if:

1. No fever within the past 24 hours (without medication)

AND

2. Symptoms have significantly improved

see **tree 2**