

Dear Parent/Guardian:

School officials have been alerted that your child may have been exposed to an individual diagnosed with COVID-19. We are following public health recommendations to ensure that the person with COVID-19 follows instructions for isolation and remains away from others until they can safely return to school.

What does this mean for you and your child?

- **Your child may remain in school unless they develop symptoms or test positive for COVID-19.** Being exposed to somebody with COVID-19 does not necessarily mean that your child will become infected. In fact, scientific research, and experience from around the country – including from California during this school year – demonstrate that schools remain among the safest places for children to be.
- **Your child should get tested for COVID-19, within 3-5 days after today, or sooner if your child starts to show [symptoms](#).** You may get tested at Lodi HS., Tokay HS., or Bear Creek HS., or by using an over-the-counter (at-home) test which can be picked up at school, should you not have one.
- **If your child develops [symptoms of COVID-19](#) or tests positive for COVID-19, please ensure they [isolate](#) at home immediately and notify your school site right away .** When you notify your child’s school, they can take additional steps to keep our school communities safe.
- **Your child must continue to wear a mask** indoors in the school and community per school, local, and state requirements. Follow school policies to protect against COVID-19. [High-quality masks](#) with the best fit and filtration will provide the best protection for your child and the school community.

We will continue to provide you with regular updates as needed. Note that infections diagnosed in students and school staff are not necessarily the result of exposure at school when safety protocols are followed at school, and COVID-19 transmission remains much more likely to occur outside of school settings.