

# SCHOOL ISOLATION FLOW CHART

Have you tested positive for COVID-19?

no

You do not need to isolate

yes

- Stay home for at least 5 days, regardless of vaccination status, previous infection, or lack of symptoms.
- Isolation can end after Day 5 if symptoms are not present or are resolving and a diagnostic specimen\* collected on Day 5 or later tests negative.
- If unable to test or choosing not to test, or test positive after Day 5, and symptoms are not present or are resolving, isolation can end after Day 10.
- If fever is present, isolation should be continued until fever resolves.
- If symptoms, other than fever, are not resolving continue to isolate until symptoms are resolving or until after Day 10.
- Wear a well-fitting medical grade mask around others for a total of 10 days, especially in indoor settings; children should wear a well-fitting, non-cloth mask of multiple layers of non-woven material with a nose wire. See [ph.lacounty.gov/masks](https://ph.lacounty.gov/masks) for more information.
- Tell your close contacts that they have been exposed and need to follow instructions for close contacts at [ph.lacounty.gov/covidquarantine](https://ph.lacounty.gov/covidquarantine)
- See full isolation instructions for people with COVID-19 at [ph.lacounty.gov/covidisolation](https://ph.lacounty.gov/covidisolation)

**Note:** If you have symptoms, Day 0 is your first day of symptoms. Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed. If you do not have symptoms, Day 0 is the day your positive test was taken. Day 1 is the first full day after your positive test was taken.

\*Antigen test preferred.