## **Isolation and Exclusion Guidelines for K-12 Settings**

This decision tree is to help guide school staff in understanding who needs to isolate or should be excluded from school.

**Isolation** is at least a 5-day period for people who have tested positive or have two primary symptoms after being exposed to COVID-19. Individuals are recommended to mask for 5 additional days (day 6 through day 10) after the end of their 5-day isolation period. An individual should continue isolation if symptoms are not improving by day 5.

**Exclusion** means keeping a student or staff member out of a school setting if they exhibit symptoms of communicable disease.

Enhanced exposure testing may be offered by schools to cohorts which include individuals at increased risk of severe disease (e.g., individuals with underlying medical conditions or immunocompromised status, individuals age 65 and older, and those who live with individuals at increased risk).

**Two primary Negative result, follow Exclude, COVID-19 testing** COVID-19 symptom-based exclusion recommended quidelines for return to school date symptoms **Exclude until 24 hours** If not tested, exclude for 5 days One primary after fever is resolved, or Has COVID-19 from symptom onset **COVID-19 symptom** until other symptoms are symptoms improving **Non-primary** Student or Follow disease-specific return to **COVID-19 exclusion not** COVID-19 **Staff member** required school guidelines symptoms **Begin isolation** May return after 5 days if **Tests positive for Recommend masking for** immediately (regardless fever-free for 24 hours and COVID-19 5 additional days symptoms are improving of vaccination status) **Exposed to Quarantine not required** COVID-19



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Positive result, isolate for at least

5 days from symptom onset