



School/Childcare reporting of a positive COVID case

Glossary

Receives notification of a positive case in a student or staff

School contact fills out "School Report Form" <http://bit.ly/ReportSchoolCase> Please allow 24 hours for the LHD to respond and begin the case investigation. In the meantime, follow the steps below to prevent transmission of further cases.

Advise student/staff with a positive test to isolate at home, own bedroom and bathroom, if possible

Ask student/staff to begin creating a list of close contacts (persons they had spent at least 15 minutes with, less than 6 ft. apart) in the 48 hours prior to their symptom onset or positive test and until they started isolating.

Household and school close contacts:

- Advise to quarantine at home
- Advise to notify you if they test positive or become ill

IF a contact reports that they become symptomatic or tested positive

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Health Department staff will complete the case investigation and determine dates of symptom onset, dates of isolation and dates of quarantine.

We will issue letters for county residents for isolation and quarantine, the school does not need to determine these dates.

Please advise all persons that the information they receive from the Health Department is specific to them. Each case is unique. Persons in the same household may have different dates of quarantine or isolation.

COVID-19: A disease caused by the virus SARS-CoV-2 which infects a person via droplets that contain the virus.

CONFIRMED CASE: A person that has a positive COVID test.

PROBABLE CASE: A person who had close contact to a confirmed case who starts to become ill but has not had a COVID test.

ISOLATION: When a person that is sick stays away from others to prevent the spread of illness. This includes staying away from members of their household if possible. This will be no less than 10 days but could be more based on the person's symptoms.

QUARANTINE: When a person who was a close contact of someone who is sick or tested positive for COVID stays home to see if they will become sick. This will be no less than 14 days from the last time they had contact with a confirmed case. If they develop symptoms, they will go into isolation for at least 10 days from onset. A negative test during this time does NOT indicate they can stop the quarantine.

CLOSE CONTACT: A person that has spent at least 15 minutes with someone that has COVID, they also need to have been standing less than 6 ft. apart during this time, with or without masks.

CONTACT INVESTIGATION: When a Public Health Nurse calls a confirmed case and finds out who their close contacts were, where they may have gotten the virus, gives education about isolating and gathers information about their health.

CONTACT TRACING: Calls made to close contacts of a positive case to inform them to begin quarantine.