










# Student Health Decision Tree

Screen all students for potential COVID-19 symptoms or exposure

## Symptoms commonly found with COVID-19 or other viral infections

-  Sore throat
-  Headache
-  Congestion/ runny nose
-  Fatigue/ muscle or body aches
-  Nausea/ vomiting/ diarrhea

## Symptoms frequently associated with COVID-19

-  Fever ( $\geq 99.5^{\circ}\text{F}$ )
-  Difficulty breathing
-  Cough
-  Loss of taste/ smell

### Exposure to COVID-19 positive person

*Schools may use the Group-Tracing Approach to Students Exposed to COVID-19 in a K-12 setting.*

NO

YES

CDPH recommendations for staying home when sick and getting tested: NEW symptom/s **commonly** or **frequently** found with COVID-19 that is a change from the student's baseline



STAY HOME

To return to school, student will need to be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication; and other symptoms have improved; and **ONE** of the following:

1. Confirm alternate diagnosis, with a doctor note **OR**
2. A negative COVID-19 test (Antigen or PCR) **OR**
3. A positive COVID-19 antigen or PCR test - **at least** 5 days have passed since symptom onset with a negative test on or after Day 5 (Antigen preferred) as long as symptoms are not present or are resolving **OR**
4. None of the above 3 options - at least 10 days from symptom.
5. A letter from their parent stating there was no COVID-19 exposure.

Primary series\* completed of COVID-19 vaccines **OR** previously infected with COVID-19 (laboratory confirmed) within the last 90 days

HAS SYMPTOMS

YES

NO



ATTEND SCHOOL

May remain in school and continue wearing a face mask.

*Note: Testing is recommended 5-7 days after the close contact occurred. If they develop symptoms for COVID-19, they should be tested right away.*

Primary series\* not completed of COVID-19 vaccines **NOR** were previously infected with COVID-19 (laboratory confirmed) within the last 90 days

BOTH PERSONS HAD FACE MASKS ON

FACE MASKS NOT ON



ATTEND SCHOOL

May continue attending in-person instruction if they meet **ALL** the following:

1. Are asymptomatic
2. Continue to wear face mask, as required
3. Test twice weekly during quarantine
4. Cannot attend any extracurricular school activities, including sports, conditioning, band practice, etc.

*Note: Modified Quarantine can end after Day 5 if asymptomatic and a test collected on Day 5 or later is negative. Modified quarantine applies **only** to exposures that occur on the school campus.*



STAY HOME

To return to school, student will need to monitor their symptoms for 14 days from last exposure and **ONE** of the following:

1. Quarantine can end after Day 5 if asymptomatic **and** a test collected on Day 5 or later is negative **OR**
2. Quarantine can end after Day 10 if asymptomatic.

\* For more information on primary series and booster eligibility, please refer to the CDC COVID-19 vaccine details [here](#).

Close contact: less than 6 feet, 15 minutes or longer

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*This care pathway was designed to assist school personnel and is not intended to replace the clinician's judgment or establish a protocol for all patients with a particular condition. Diagnosis and treatment should be under the close supervision of a qualified health care provider.*