

Student/Staff person is confirmed or symptomatic^ pending results or a close contact.			
Scenario 1:	Scenario 2:	Scenario 3:	Scenario 4:
<p><b>A student/staff person within the school is confirmed to have COVID-19 (tests positive for COVID-19 with a nasal/throat swab).</b></p>	<p><b>A student/staff person within the school is symptomatic and lab result for COVID-19 are pending.</b></p>	<p><b>A student/staff person within the school is symptomatic and no testing for COVID-19 are done.</b></p>	<p><b>A student/staff person within the school is a close contact to a confirmed COVID-19 case.</b></p>
<p>The student/staff person <b>AND</b> all household members of the student/staff person are <b>immediately</b> excluded from school.</p> <p>The confirmed positive student/staff person must isolate at home. The student/staff person must be excluded from school until</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24 hours with no fever (without the use of fever-reducing medication) <b>and</b></li> <li>• Symptoms have improved <b>and</b></li> <li>• 10 days since symptoms first appeared.</li> </ul> <p>Household members and the quarantined student/staff person who are close contacts are excluded for 14 days after their last date of close contact.</p>	<p>FOR ALL STAFF and STUDENTS ONLY IF the test returns positive, see scenario 1.</p> <p>The student person is excluded from school until results of the test are available.</p> <p>If test results are negative and the ill student close contact to someone with COVID-19, they must still finish their quarantine.</p> <p>If test results are negative and the ill student had no known exposure to COVID-19, the student/staff person may return based on the guidance for their predominate symptoms (see "<a href="#">Managing Communicable Diseases in Schools</a>").</p> <p>Household members and student/staff person who are close contacts of the <i>pending</i> case with no history of COVID-19 exposure (prior to lab results) should be monitored for symptoms while waiting for test results. They do not need to be excluded from school. If symptoms develop, they should</p>	<p>For ALL STAFF and for STUDENTS only IF They Answered YES to any Questions in Section 2<sup>#</sup> of Screener: The student/staff person is excluded from school until:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24 hours with no fever (without the use of fever-reducing medication) <b>and</b></li> <li>• Symptoms have improved <b>and</b></li> <li>• 10 days since symptoms first appeared.</li> </ul> <p>For STUDENTS If They Answered NO to all of the Questions in Section 2 of the Screener: The <b>student</b> may return based on the guidance for their diagnosis/predominate symptoms (see "<a href="#">Managing Communicable Diseases in Schools</a>").</p> <p>Household members and student/staff person who are close contacts: if the individual had close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 and suspicion for COVID-19 are high, they may need to be excluded from school. Consults with your health department.</p> <p>Otherwise, household members and student/staff person who are close contacts do not need to be excluded from school. If symptoms develop, they should call their</p>	<p>The student/staff person must quarantine for <b>14 days since last date of close contact.</b></p> <p>Household members, classmates, and teachers of the quarantined student/staff person may continue to attend school and should monitor for symptoms. They do not need to be excluded from school. If symptoms develop, they should call their medical provider to be tested for COVID-19.</p>

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<sup>^</sup>Symptoms for students: fever, feeling feverish, cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat, diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain, severe headache

<sup>^</sup>Symptoms for staff: New or worsening: fever, feeling feverish, cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat, muscle aches, vomiting, diarrhea, new loss of taste or smell  
([Source](#): Should we be screening employees, Content of screening questions)

<sup>#</sup>Questions in Section 2: Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19; OR Had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with person under quarantine for possible exposure to COVID-19; OR had recent travel history in last 14 days.

<sup>\*</sup>Close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case is defined as being within 6 feet of a person who has tested positive for at least 15 minutes with or without a mask. Public health authorities may determine that distances beyond 6 feet can still result in high-risk exposures based on other considerations and circumstances in each particular case.

### Household member of a student within the school is confirmed or symptomatic pending results or a close contact.

Scenario 1:	Scenario 2:	Scenario 3:
<b>Household member of a student within the school has been confirmed to have COVID-19.</b>	<b>Household member of a student within the school is symptomatic, pending results, and has had close contact with a known case.</b>	<b>Household member of a student within the school has had close contact to a known case of COVID-19.</b>
Students who live in the same house as the COVID-19 positive person are excluded from school while the household member is in isolation (10 days). The student must quarantine for <b>14 days</b> after the last date of close contact while they are contagious.	Students who live in the same household of the family member are excluded from school until test results are in.  If the household member is positive, see scenario 1. If the household member is negative, student may be able to return to school unless household member is determined to be a probable case of COVID-19.	Student can remain in school but should be monitored. They do not need to be excluded from school.  If COVID -19 symptoms develop in the household member, students should be excluded from school, and should be treated as in Scenario 1 pending results.

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### How Does COVID-19 Spread?

COVID-19 can spread by droplets (most likely), aerosols (less likely), and objects (least likely).

#### Respiratory Droplets

Respiratory droplets are small particles that enter the air when we cough, sneeze, laugh, yell, and talk. They are little flecks of spit. Respiratory droplets tend to settle out of the air after traveling several feet from the person that released