

COVID 19 SCHOOL PROTOCOL FOR 2022-2023

The current guidelines below are the most recent updates from the CDC and Louisville Metro Health Department. This protocol is subject to change at any time.

Students or staff who test positive for COVID-19 should self-isolate away from school for:

- At least 5 full days from the day that their symptoms started if they are experiencing symptoms of COVID. The first day of symptoms is considered day 0. The individual may return to school after 5 days when their symptoms are fully resolved OR after 10 days even if they have lingering symptoms. The individual must continue to wear a well-fitting mask for 10 full days when around others indoors. If the individual is unable to wear a mask properly and consistently in indoor school settings, they should self-isolate from school for 10 full days.
- 5 full days from the date of testing if they have never developed symptoms. The day of testing is considered day 0. The individual must continue to wear a wellfitting mask for 10 full days when around others indoors. If the individual is unable to wear a well-fitting mask properly and consistently in indoor school settings, they should self-isolate from school for 10 full days. If the individual develops symptoms of COVID-19, they should follow the above isolation guidance for someone with symptoms.

Sick students, teachers or staff who are not tested for COVID-19, but have symptoms may return when their symptoms resolve.

Exposures and quarantine

When exposures to a positive case of COVID occur:

- Everyone who is known to have had close contact (longer than 15 minutes) with a positive COVID case should be tested 5 days or more after the exposure.
- Quarantine is not routinely recommended following exposures for people without symptoms.

Available on the school website is our school health handbook for parental guidance regarding various illnesses in school age children. Go to the student life tab, click on the Health Office tab and you will find more information there.