

Returning to School after Illness

A. If a student/staff is diagnosed as having COVID-19, they must meet the following criteria to return to school:

- 3 days with no fever (without using fever reducing medication) AND
- Other symptoms improved AND
- 10 days since symptoms first appeared
- **Must have an isolation/quarantine release letter from the Health Department**

B. A student/staff with direct contact of a lab confirmed case will be placed into quarantine for **at least 10** days from last contact, as determined through contact tracing by the Health Department. **If the student/staff remains asymptomatic, her/she may return to school on Day 11. The student/staff is required to maintain at least 6 feet social distance and wear a mask around others as well as self-monitor for symptoms (check temperature twice a day, watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath, or other symptoms of COVID-19) through Day 14.** ALL parents/students/staff will be notified. Any contacts exposed to the direct contact are considered low risk unless the direct contact becomes symptomatic. (Example: a husband is the direct contact and his wife is the contact. She would be considered low risk unless the direct contact becomes symptomatic)

C. Students/staff that only have a fever and no other symptoms and have not had any contact with an individual that has COVID-19 may return to school after they are fever free for 24 hours without using any fever reducing medications.

D. Any other illnesses should be handled in the routine manner according to district policies.