

## Covid Symptoms & Case Response

**Note:** Each school has a designated contact tracer whose name is on file with the Catholic School Department and County Health.

Steps to Take in Response to Confirmed/Suspected COVID-19 Cases and Close Contacts (TABLE 1)

SCENARIO	IMMEDIATE ACTIONS	COMM.
<p><b>Scenario 1:</b> A student or staff member either answers “yes” to a health screening question</p> <p><b>-OR-</b></p> <p>Exhibits the following COVID-19 <a href="#">symptoms</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student/staff are isolated at the site until they can be sent home or to a healthcare facility per <a href="#">CDPH</a> guidance</li> </ul> <p><b>To return to school:</b> Wait at least 10 days after symptom onset AND 24-hours after symptoms begin to improve AND at least 24 hours without a fever (without the use of fever reducing medications).</p> <p><b>-OR-</b></p> <p>If medical attention is needed, the individual should contact their healthcare provider. The healthcare provider will determine if the individual needs a COVID-19 test.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If student/staff tests positive, see Scenario 3.</li> <li>• If student/staff tests negative, see Table 2 below.</li> <li>• In addition, the individual may have a medical note by a physician that provides an alternative explanation for symptoms and reason for not having a COVID-19 test (e.g., seasonal allergies)</li> </ul> <p><b><u>School site will remain open</u></b></p>	<p>COVID-19 symptoms letter provided to individual or individual’s guardian</p>

<p><b>Scenario 2:</b> A family member or someone in close contact with a student or staff member (<b>outside the school community</b>) tests positive for COVID-19</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student/staff sent home</li> <li>• RD &amp; COVID-19 School Liaison notified</li> <li>• Student/staff instructed to quarantine/monitor for symptoms, even if they test negative, <b>for a full 14 days after</b>.</li> </ul> <p>The date of last exposure to a COVID-19 positive non-household contact</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>-OR-</b></p> <p>The date COVID-19 positive household member completes their isolation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If student/staff begin to show COVID-19 like symptoms, it is recommended to be tested.</li> <li>• If student/staff test positive, see Scenario 3</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>School site will remain open.</u></b></li> </ul>	<p><b>Student (Guardian) or Staff:</b> Immediately notify the COVID-19 School Liaison if they are defined as a close contact of a confirmed case</p>
<p><b>Scenario 3:</b> A student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student/staff sent home, if not already at home</li> <li>• School administration, RD and county COVID-19 School Liaison notified</li> <li>• Public Health – School Unit (PHSU) notified</li> <li>• Close off and clean any areas used by the person who tested positive, per <a href="#">CDPH</a> and <a href="#">CDC</a> guidance</li> <li>• <b><u>Student/staff that tested positive:</u></b> will isolate for 10 days after symptom onset or test date</li> <li>• <b><u>School-based close contacts:</u></b> identified and instructed to self-quarantine and monitor symptoms for 14 days.</li> </ul> <p>*If close contacts begin to show COVID-19 like symptoms, it is recommended to be tested. Testing does <b>not</b> shorten 14-day quarantine</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>School site will remain open.</u></b></li> </ul>	<p><b>COVID-19 positive</b></p> <p><b>Individual:</b> Notify school administration and/or COVID-19 School Liaison immediately</p> <p><b>School Site:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact PHSU</li> <li>• Close Contact letter and Self-Quarantine Instructions sent to school close contacts within 48 hours.</li> <li>• Confirmed COVID-19 case notification sent to school community</li> </ul>

Steps to Take in Response to Negative COVID-19 Test Result (TABLE 2)

SCENARIO	IMMEDIATE ACTIONS	COMMUNICATION
A student or staff member tests negative for COVID-19 after Scenario 1 (symptomatic)	Student/staff may return to school after 24 hours with no fever (without fever reducing medicine) and improvement in other symptoms.	Student family/staff to bring evidence of negative COVID-19 test or medical note if testing not performed
A student or staff member tests negative after Scenario 2 (close contact)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student/staff must remain in quarantine <b>for a full 14 days after:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The date of last exposure to COVID-19 positive non-household contact</li> <li><b>-OR-</b></li> <li>2) The date that COVID-19 positive household member completes their isolation</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	No action is needed
A student or staff member tests negative after routine surveillance testing (no symptoms and no close contact to a confirmed COVID-19 case)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can return to school/work immediately</li> </ul>	No action is needed

The parent/guardian and the student assume full responsibility for absences and for all the academic consequences entailed. All non-school related student absences are factored into the total number of allowable absences, which is twelve (12) per class per semester.

Students must always check in and out of the attendance office when leaving and/or returning to school during school hours. The student must sign the attendance log in the attendance office. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

### Parents Who have extended travel

Parents who plan to be away from home while school is in session must notify the school in writing as to who will be legally responsible for their daughter during this time.