

CLOSE CONTACT GUIDELINES

A *Close Contact* is defined as anyone who has been less than 3 feet of the infected person for at least 15 minutes (cumulative).

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EXPOSURE TO POSITIVE CASE

Day "0" is the last day of contact - Quarantine begins on Day "1"

Complete a **7-DAY QUARANTINE** and obtain a **PCR/rapid molecular test** 3-4 days **after** last exposure to close contact.

REMEMBER:
Staff/students may **NOT** return to school while awaiting COVID-19 test results.

May return on day 8, after completing **7-DAY QUARANTINE** **IF** you:

- provide evidence of negative PCR test to school nurse **AND**
- remain symptom-free **AND**
- continue to monitor for symptoms for 14 days.

If symptomatic, refer to "[Symptom Guidelines](#)" flowchart.

People who are fully vaccinated (post-14 days) OR who have tested positive for COVID-19 within the past 3 months and have recovered do **NOT have to quarantine or get tested unless they develop symptoms again.**
(See [Symptomatic flowchart](#))

Contact tracing occurs at the individual student level and depends on a variety of factors based on the [DESE Guidelines](#).