Student Symptom Decision Tree

Screen all students for potential COVID-19 symptoms or exposure

Low-risk: general symptoms

High-risk: red flag symptoms



Fever (≥100.0 °F)



Sore throat



Cough



Congestion/runny nose



Headache



Difficulty breathing



Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea



Fatique/muscle or body aches



oss of taste/smell

Exposure to COVID-19 positive person?

Close contact: less than 6 feet, 15 minutes or longer

NO ▶ 1 low risk symptom



Send home



Return to school 24 hrs after symptom resolution (without fever reducing medication)

≥2 low risk symptoms

OR 1 high risk symptom





Send home



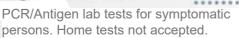
Evaluation by health care provider

Health care provider confirms alternative diagnosis for symptoms. A health care provider's note must be on file. SARS-CoV-2 PCR test not needed.



Return to school after 24 hrs without fever and symptoms improving

Negative SARS-CoV-2





Return to school after 24 hrs without fever and symptoms improving

Positive SARS-CoV-2

No provider visit or test.

PCR, Antigen or home test.



Return to school only after 5-10 days since symptom onset AND without symptoms of illness. Quarantine close contacts of confirmed cases. If any questions, contact local healthcare provider.





Consult with your healthcare provider and/or school nurse.

This care pathway was designed to assist school personnel and is not intended to replace the clinician's judgment or establish a protocol for all patients with a particular condition.

Diagnosis and treatment should be under the close supervision of a qualified health care provider.