

COVID-19 School Exclusion Recommendations

Exclusion From and Return to School Recommendations		
 Two of GOVIDvilgs Symmtows (measured or subjective), chills, fatigue, myalgia, headache, sore throat, congestion, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea OR One of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, or new loss of taste or smell 	 Individual should be tested for COVID-19. If test result is negative OR doctor's note with differential diagnosis, return to school after 24 hours afebrile and improved respiratory symptoms If test result is positive or individual is unable/refuses to get tested, may return to school after: 24 hours with no fever and Improvement in symptoms and 10 days since symptoms first appeared 	
Positive COVID-19 PCR or Antigen (Point of Care) Test	WITH SYMPTOMS May return to school after: • 24 hours with no fever and • improvement in symptoms and • 10 days since symptoms first appeared	WITHOUT SYMPTOMS May return to school after: • 10 days after specimen was collected *If symptoms develop during the 10 days, follow return to school guidance for positive PCR or Antigen test with symptoms
Close Contact to Positive* • Within 6ft for 15 minutes or more • Household contact *Close contacts should be tested regardless of symptoms, however a negative test result does not end quarantine early.	 WITH SYMPTOMS Individual should be tested for COVID-19 May return to school after: 24 hours with no fever and improvement in symptoms and 10 days since symptoms first appeared 	 WITHOUT SYMPTOMS Excluded 14 days after last date of exposure to the person with COVID-19 Household contacts are in quarantine until 14 days after household positive is released from isolation A negative test does not allow an individual to end their quarantine period early. *If symptoms develop during the 14 days, follow return to school guidance for Close Contact with symptoms
**PA Travel Mandate • Critical workers are encouraged to wear both a face shield and mask and social distance, if unable to quarantine	WITH SYMPTOMS If symptoms develop during the 14 day return to PA, follow return to school guidance for COVID-19 symptoms	 WITHOUT SYMPTOMS A negative COVID-19 test must be completed within 72 hours prior to entering PA Residents who are unable to be tested before returning to the state can be tested upon return, but must quarantine until they receive their results If someone cannot or chooses not to be tested, they must quarantine for 14 days upon arrival in PA *This does NOT apply to people who commute to and from

another state for work or medical exemption