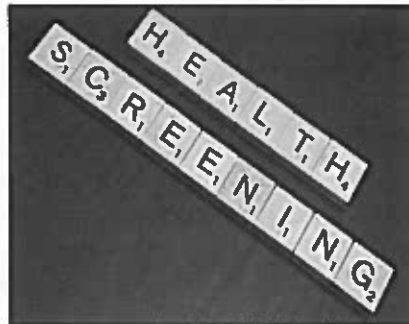


# STUDENTS AND STAFF HOME SCREENING TOOL FOR COVID'19 SYMPTOMS



## OVERVIEW

Students and staff **MUST NOT** attend school if they:

- Test positive for COVID'19
- Show symptoms of COVID'19
- May have been exposed to COVID'19
- Are waiting to be tested
- Waiting for COVID'19 test results.

Students/Staff who have symptoms of COVID'19 or test positive for COVID'19, remain at home in isolation and away from others as much as possible for at least 14 days (counting from the day symptoms first started or the day they were tested),

and

until symptoms improve and they have not had a fever for 24 hours (without taking medicine to lower the fever). Even if students are feeling better, they must remain home for the full 14 days. These steps help to keep children and staff in schools, safe.

**Note:** Students/Staff must also remain home for other illnesses that have symptoms that are similar to COVID'19, such as strep throat, stomach illness, or pink eye. Contact your child's health care provider or school for information on when your child may return to school in these situations.

## Screening questions:

1. Does your child have one or more of these symptoms?

- Fever of 99.7 degrees Fahrenheit or higher
- Difficulty or trouble breathing
- New cough or a cough that gets worse
- New loss of taste or smell

If a child has **one** or more of these symptoms, **they must remain home** and should stay away from others as much as possible, including family members. Parents or caregivers should notify the school, child care, or youth program and consider calling the child's doctor or other health care provider.

**If none of the above symptoms, go to the next question.**

**2. Does your child have at least two of these symptoms?**

- Sore throat
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Excessive fatigue (extreme tiredness)
- New or severe headache
- New nasal congestion or runny nose
- Skin rash

If a child has **at least two** of these symptoms, **they must remain home** and should stay away from others as much as possible, including family members. Parents or caregivers should notify the school, child care, or youth program and consider calling the child's doctor or other health care provider.

**If none of the above symptoms, go to the next question.**

**3. Has your child been diagnosed with COVID'19 since they last attended their school?**

- **IF No:** the child may attend school.
  - **IF Yes:** the child must stay at home in isolation and away from others as much as possible for at least 14 days (counting from the day their symptoms first started or the day they were tested), until their symptoms improve and have not had a fever for 24 hours (without taking medicine to lower the fever). **Even if they feel better, they must stay home for the full 14 days.** If your child has tested positive for COVID'19 but has no symptoms, they may return 14 days after the date of their test.
- 4. Has your child had close contact (within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes) in the last 14 days with someone diagnosed with COVID'19, or has any health department, doctor or other health care provider contacted you and said your child should stay home (quarantine)?**
- **IF No:** the child may attend school
  - **IF Yes:** the child must not attend school. The child can return 14 days after the last close contact with someone with COVID'19, as long as the child has not developed symptoms or has not tested positive for COVID'19. The child should remain home for a further 10 days if symptoms develop or the child receives a positive COVID test result. Close contact means being 6 feet or less for at least 15 minutes from a person who has COVID'19. **Even if your child has tested negative, they cannot return until it has been 14 since the last close contact.**
- 5. Is your child or any other household member who is symptomatic (has symptoms consistent with COVID'19) currently waiting for COVID'19 test results?**
- **IF No:** the child can go to their school, child care, or youth program.
  - **IF Yes:** the child must remain home until they receive their test results. Brothers, sisters, and other children living in the house must also stay at home until test results are known. If the test result is negative, children can return to school. If the test result is positive, children remain at home and begin a 14-day quarantine period starting on the last day of close contact with the positive case.