

Covid Guidance and Recommendations

Start of school year 2022-2023

Does your child have covid symptoms?

Please test them (rapid home tests are ok!) and repeat the test in 48 hrs (may test sooner as well)

Test positive? - At least 5 days of isolation at home after onset of symptoms (this is day 0) and wear a mask around others for a full 10 days (see playbook below for more information).

Test negative but still has symptoms? As long as they are fit for school (fever free, no vomiting/diarrhea for 24hrs) they may come to school and a mask is recommended while mildly ill. Please continue to test to ensure negative results.

Close contacts:

No need for close contacts to quarantine at home if family members have covid (covid positive family member should isolate from the rest of the family), continue to check close contact family members for symptoms, test regularly.

Close contacts should:

Monitor covid symptoms for 10 days

Wear a well fitting mask for 10 days

Get tested after 5 full days or if symptoms develop.

Students should wear a mask:

If they are a close contact to someone who has covid

Have symptoms but are testing covid negative and fit for school.

If you are concerned about your child getting covid. Covid is not seasonal and spreads all year, unlike the flu.

In the event of an outbreak in your child's class you will be notified, contact tracing will be done, and guidance will be given on outbreak management. More questions? Please contact your child's School Nurse.

For more information from the Dept of Health see below:

<https://health.ri.gov/publications/guidance/Outbreak-Response-Protocols-Pre-K-12.pdf>

<https://health.ri.gov/publications/flyers/prevent-illnesses-schools.pdf>

<https://health.ri.gov/otherlanguages/spanish/publications/flyers/prevent-illnesses-schools.pdf>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZcHzl9Z7d0>

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