



# Choctaw County School District

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The Choctaw County School District (CCSD) will continue to isolate and exclude COVID-19 infected students, teachers, and staff and continue contact tracing to identify exposed individuals for quarantine and exclusion from the school setting in accordance with guidance from the Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH). **Close contact** to COVID-19 is defined as 15 minutes of cumulative contact over a 24-hour period at <6 feet.

## Quarantine guidelines for individuals who are **not fully vaccinated**:

Students, teachers, and staff who are not fully vaccinated and are identified as close contacts to COVID-19 will be placed in quarantine. According to the MSDH, any individual who is identified as a close contact to COVID-19 should be in quarantine for a full 14 days, however, there are additional options to the 14-day quarantine period from the school setting as follows:

- 10-day option: Quarantine can end after 10 days if the individual has no symptoms during entire 10- day period.
- 7-day plus test option: If the individual has no symptoms for 7 days AND has a negative test result with any form of molecular based testing for the detection of COVID-19 RNA collected on day 5,6, or 7 of the quarantine period, the quarantine period can be discontinued after 7 days.

## Quarantine guidelines for individuals who **are fully vaccinated**:

- Fully vaccinated persons in close contact with an infected person do not have to quarantine or get tested unless they develop symptoms.

## Additional quarantine guidelines:

- Anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the past 3 months and have recovered do not have to quarantine or get tested again as long as they do not develop new symptoms.