

COVID Guidelines in Smith County School Systems

When to stay home and call the school:

- If your child has a positive COVID test: Please call the school and let us know. We will help you with calculating return dates.
- If someone within the home is COVID + and your student begins having symptoms, they need to stay home, and testing is highly recommended. If the test is positive, please call and we will help calculate return dates.

It is no longer recommended for your student to quarantine at home if a family member is COVID + if they are not having any symptoms and have not tested COVID +.

Testing:

- We do accept home tests; however, if you use a home test, you must write the student's name on the test and the date you performed the test. You will then need to email a picture of it to your student's school. If a home test is used, 1 parent note will be used to cover your student's absences until their 6th day when they are able to return.
- Students who have tests performed by a healthcare facility will need to bring in a copy of their positive test. Their 5 days of quarantine will be covered by a doctor's note.

*Return dates will be calculated using CDC guidelines, and your student will not be permitted to return to school until the end of their isolation period.