

Decision Tree for Shawano School District Staff and Students

COVID-19 Symptom Criteria

- MORE COMMON symptoms:**
- New cough or a cough that gets worse
 - Difficulty/hard time breathing
 - New loss of taste or smell

- LESS COMMON symptoms (outside of their normal):**
- Fever of 100.0 ° F or higher
 - Chills
 - Fatigue
 - New nasal congestion/stuffy or runny nose
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Sore Throat
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
 - Headache

First Path

For people with
• ONE "less common" symptom

Evaluate symptoms. Is the person well enough to be in school?

Yes, it is OK to be in school.

No. Stay home or go home if ill. Consider an evaluation from a doctor/health care provider and/or getting a COVID-19 test.

Person with symptoms returns to school 24 hours after symptom improves.

Siblings and others who live in house may remain in school.

Second Path

For people with
• ONE "more common" symptom OR
• TWO "less common" symptoms OR
• ANY symptom of Covid during day 8-14 of a shortened quarantine.

Person should stay home or be sent home.

Evaluation from a doctor/health care provider and/or gets a COVID-19 test for symptom(s). Stay home while waiting for test results.

Receives negative COVID-19 test result OR alternative diagnosis.

Does not seek evaluation from doctor/health care provider or get a COVID-19 test – STAY HOME and isolate from others for 10 days.

Receives **positive** COVID-19 test results.

Stay at home and away from others who live in the house (isolation) for at least 10 days from the time the symptoms started and until symptoms have improved and they have had no fever for 24 hours without fever-reducing medications.
Siblings and others in the household should follow close contact path below.

For people who are tested without symptoms

Close Contact Path

For people who are a close contact of someone who tested positive for COVID-19. A close contact is ANY person who lives in the same household as a person who tested positive for COVID-19 OR someone who has been within about 6 feet of a person who has COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more throughout the course of a day (24 hours).

Close Contacts should stay home from ALL ACTIVITIES during quarantine period.
A 14-day quarantine is the safest recommendation for people who have been exposed to COVID-19. A shortened quarantine period of 7 to 10 days can also be considered.

- 10 day quarantine** -Return on day 11 if no symptoms were experienced.
- 7 day quarantine** -Return on day 8 after providing proof of a negative COVID test that was performed on day 6 or 7 and if no symptoms were experienced.

Must continue to monitor for symptoms the full 14 days. Should symptoms arise, do not come to school. Get tested.

People who are **fully vaccinated or have had lab confirmed COVID-19 within 90 days** do not need to quarantine. They should get tested 3-5 days after close contact with someone with COVID-19, even if you don't have symptoms. You should also wear a mask in public indoor spaces for 14 days following close contact or until you receive a negative test result. If you result is positive, isolate from others.

If the person who is a close contact develops any covid symptom and/or has a positive test result, follow second path.

Decision Tree Narrative

Staff/Teachers

- Utilize Frontline to report absence and acquire substitute.
- Notify HR utilizing COVID-19 email: staffcovid@shawanoschools.org
- Those requesting exemption from quarantine due to vaccination or illness within the past 90 days must submit proof of vaccination or lab confirmation of positive test.

Parents

- Notify the school if your child is diagnosed with COVID-19 or had close contact with someone who was diagnosed with COVID-19.
- Reach out to your child's teacher(s) for information on keeping up with school work during quarantine/isolation.
- Those requesting exemption from quarantine due to vaccination or illness within the past 90 days must submit proof of vaccination or lab confirmation of positive test results.

Questions or concerns may be addressed to school nurse

- Jessica Wiesman- jwiesman@shawanoschools.org
- Heather Demerath- hdemerath@shawanoschools.org

Additional Information

Close Contact: You are considered a close contact if any of the following situations happened while you spent time with a person with COVID-19, even if they didn't have symptoms:

- You were within 6 feet of a person who had COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period.
- You had direct exposure to respiratory secretions (for example, being coughed or sneezed on, sharing a drinking glass, utensils, towels or other personal items).
- You had direct physical contact with the person (for example, a hug, kiss, or handshake).
- You cared or care for a person who has COVID-19.
- You lived or live with a person who has COVID-19.
- You stayed overnight with them for at least one night in the same household.

Contacts to a close contact:

- People who are living with someone who is quarantined because they are a close contact, but they themselves are not a close contact to the person who tested positive, do not need to quarantine.
- If the quarantined person develops symptoms, they should get tested. Other household members should then stay at home while awaiting test results.

Example: Dad was exposed at work, is currently in quarantine. His children do not need to quarantine as they were not in contact with the positive case. However, 3 days later dad develops a fever. At this time, the children should not come to school until dad's test result comes back negative.

COVID-19 testing recommendations

- If someone is asymptomatic (does not have symptoms of COVID-19) and is being tested for COVID-19, any healthy children or staff members who live with them do not need to stay home or be excluded from school.
- If someone is symptomatic (has symptoms of COVID-19) and is being tested, all children or staff members who are not fully vaccinated or have not had lab confirmed COVID-19 within last 90 days and live with that person are recommended to stay home and not attend school or related activities until test results are known.

Onsite testing may be available at your school

Contact your school nurse for more information.

Counting days

When determining isolation or quarantine dates, the day symptoms started, or the last exposure date is considered day zero. Isolation and quarantine periods extend through the last day (7, 10, or 14 whichever applies) with a return to normal activities the following day. For asymptomatic positive cases, day zero is the date the test was taken.