FCISD COVID-19 GUIDELINES

(as of 7/26/2022)

If a student test positive for COVID-19

A school administrator shall exclude from attendance any child having or suspected of having COVID-19 and must immediately notify parents if this is determined while on campus. Exclusion shall continue until the readmission criteria for the conditions are met. The readmission criteria for COVID-19 is as follows:

If symptomatic, exclude until at least 5 days have passed since symptom onset, and fever free*, and other symptoms have improved. Children who test positive for COVID-19 but do not have any symptoms must stay home until at least 5 days after the day they were tested.

Parents must ensure they do not send a child to school if the child has COVID-19 symptoms or is test-confirmed with COVID-19.

*Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever suppressing medications. Fever is a temperature of 100° Fahrenheit (37.8° Celsius) or higher.

If a student came into close contact with someone with COVID-19

If the student is *vaccinated* (within the last 6 months with the Pfizer/Moderna vaccine or within the last 2 months with the Johnson & Johnson vaccine) OR has received the booster shot OR has had COVID-19 in the last 90 days

- Do not have to quarantine
- It is recommended to wear a mask around others for 10 days
- If the person develops symptoms, stay home and get tested

If the student is *unvaccinated*, OR completed the primary series of Pfizer/Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and has not received a booster, OR has completed the primary series of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine over 2 months ago and has not received a booster

- Quarantine for 5 days if the student does not get a test
- If the student tests negative, then they do not have to quarantine but it is recommended they wear a mask for 10 days.
- If the person develops symptoms at any time, they must stay home and get tested

Staff Who Have COVID-19 or Who are Close Contacts

Similar to students, school systems must exclude staff from attending school in person who are actively sick with COVID-19, who are suspected of being actively sick with COVID-19, or who have received a positive test result for COVID-19. Based on recent updates from the CDC, staff may return when:

- If symptomatic, at least 5 days have passed since symptom onset, and fever free*, and other symptoms have improved.
- For those with no symptoms, at least 5 days after the day they tested positive.

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Staff who meet the close contact threshold with a COVID-19 positive individual and are in one of the following groups, do not need to stay at home.

- Have received all recommended vaccine doses, including boosters and additional primary shots for some immune-compromised people.
- Was confirmed COVID-19 positive within the last 90 days and has fully recovered.

COVID-19 Symptoms include: Fever, chills, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea