



Perry Township Schools * Beech Grove City Schools * MSD of Decatur Township

Student COVID-19 Guidelines

Updated 7/22/21

Quarantine must be used for unvaccinated students who have been exposed to someone with COVID-19. Close contacts, identified through contact tracing, should quarantine unless they are fully vaccinated, or have tested positive in the last 3 months and do not have any symptoms.

- Students who are in quarantine should stay home and follow the direction of the local public health department about when it is safe for them to be around others.
- All fully vaccinated individuals who remain asymptomatic (even if a close contact) do not need to quarantine but should monitor for symptoms though the 14 days following their exposure.
- Close contacts who are **unvaccinated** MUST quarantine.
 - Options for quarantine
 - Asymptomatic close contact may return after Day 10 with enhanced precautions in place for Days 11-14.
 - Asymptomatic close contact may return after Day 8 with negative PCR on day 5, 6, or 7. Continue enhanced precautions for Days 8-14.
 - Asymptomatic close contact return on Day 15. May return to all prior activities without enhanced precautions or testing.

Enhanced Precautions for Early Return for unvaccinated individuals are:

- Masked at all times during the school day, no exceptions!
- Distance of at least 3 feet from others when inside the classroom.
- Lunch to be eaten separately from others as mask will be off when eating. Remain 6 feet from others, no exceptions.
- Prioritize hand hygiene
- Symptom monitoring daily by adults in the home before the start of the school day and if needed by school staff during the school day.
 - **If ANY signs or symptoms of COVID-19 are identified while at home, student should NOT come to school.**

- **If symptoms develop during the school day, individual will be sent home as soon as possible.**
- **Individual should obtain a PCR test.**
 - **If PCR test is positive, begin 10 days of isolation starting from the date symptoms began.**
 - **If PCR test is negative, must complete remainder of 14-day quarantine at home.**

Isolation must be used for individuals with COVID-19 illness to separate them from those who are not infected (even at home).

- At home, anyone sick or infectious should separate from others, stay in a specific “sick room” and use a separate bathroom, if available.
- Stay home for at least 10 days following the onset of symptoms or a positive test result. Individuals may return after 10 days as long as symptoms are improving, and they are fever free for at least 24 hours without use of fever reducing medications.

Re-entry policy:

If your student is sent home sick with symptoms of Covid-19 or is absent due to illness, we will need one of the following three things **before** he/she is able to return to school:

1.) Student needs to be physically seen by a provider who states that the child has been diagnosed with a NON-COVID illness and that the provider believes it’s appropriate for the student to return to school. Notes need be faxed to 317-780-4268 or emailed to our school nurse, Tina tbessenbach@riselearningcenter.org.

OR

2.) Student would need to be tested for Covid-19 and provide school with documentation from your provider of a negative test.

OR

3.) Student needs to isolate at home for at least 10 days AND go 24 hours fever-free without the use of medication AND have a reduction in symptoms.

If your student and/or any household member are waiting for a test result, please keep your child at home and alert the school.