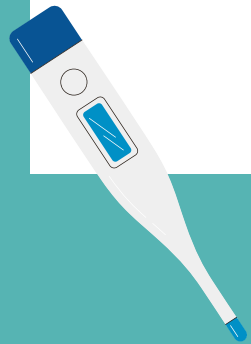


Allegan County School Exposure Guidance

All students exposed to COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status or previous infection, are recommended to:

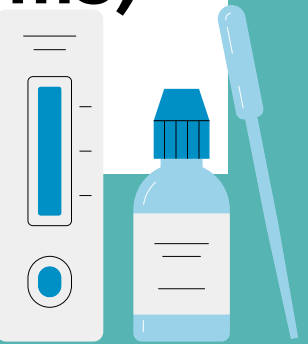
Watch for symptoms for 10 days



Wear a high quality mask around others indoors for 10 days



Test 5 days after exposure (or sooner if you develop symptoms)



"Day 0" is the day of the student's last contact with someone who has COVID-19.

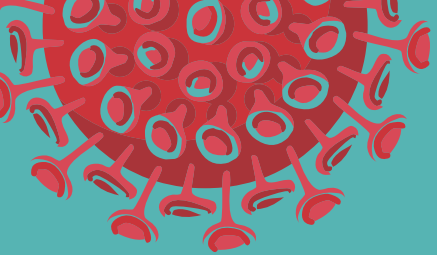
If a student develops symptoms, they should isolate. Refer to our "How to Handle Symptoms" flow chart.



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For more information, see our [2022-2023 COVID-19 School Guidance](#)

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How to handle symptoms for students

What should parents/students do if they are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 that are similar to other related illnesses/diseases? Use this flow chart to help with decision making on when a student can return to school.

Student has symptom (new/different/worse from baseline of any chronic illness):

- Temperature of 100.4 or signs of fever (chills/sweating)
- Sore throat
- Uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- Severe headache

Exclude student from school

Screen for close contact or potential exposure risk within last 14 days.

- Student had close contact with a COVID+ case

yes

no

Student diagnosed with COVID-19 OR no diagnosis is available.

Refer to healthcare provider or COVID-19 testing location for possible testing.

Student has negative test results.

See "Allegan County School Quarantine Guidance" for students exposed to COVID. Student may return based on guidance for their symptoms.

- Fever: at least 24 hours have passed with no fever without the use of fever-reducing medications
- Sore throat: improvement (if strep throat: do not return until at least 2 doses of antibiotic have been taken)
- Cough/Shortness of breath: improvement
- Diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain: no diarrhea or vomiting for 24 hours
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Home Isolation, regardless of vaccination status, until:

- At least 5 days since symptoms first appeared **and**
- At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication **and**
- Symptoms have improved

Masking on days 6-10 is recommended