

Guidance for High-Risk Contacts of a Confirmed Positive COVID-19 Case

Everyone must complete screening before entering a school or child care setting.

Use the COVID-19 School and Child Care Screening Tool.

Purpose: To be used when anyone in the household receives notification from Public Health that they are a high-risk contact (HRC) of a confirmed COVID-19 case.

Resources: COVID-19: How to Self-Isolate & COVID-19: Self-isolation: Guide for Caregivers, Household Members and Close Contacts

If HRC has symptoms		If HRC does not have symptoms		If HRC tests positive for COVID-19	
Not Vaccinated or Partially Vaccinated	Fully Vaccinated	Not Vaccinated or Partially Vaccinated	Fully Vaccinated	Not Vaccinated or Partially Vaccinated	Fully Vaccinated
Self-isolate and get tested immediately Self-isolate for 10 days from last exposure/contact with positive case or as directed by public health. Pass screening tool before returning to school/child care/work.	Self-isolate & get tested immediately Self-isolate while waiting for test results Return to school/child care/work when test results are negative & symptoms improving for 24 hours.	Self-isolate and get tested (as directed by Public Health) Self-isolate for 10 days from last exposure/ contact with positive case or as directed by public health. Pass screening tool before returning to school/child care/work.	Self-isolation not required – may continue to go to work Get tested (as directed by Public Health)	Self-isolate for 10 days from when your symptoms started, or positive test date (or as directed by Public Health)	Self-isolate for 10 days from when your symptoms started, or positive test date (or as directed by Public Health)
Household members must self-isolate while waiting for test results (unless fully vaccinated). If HRC tests negative household members should not attend child care or school & only leave home for other essential reasons (e.g., work, groceries) for entire isolation period (unless fully vaccinated).	Household members must self-isolate while waiting for test results (unless fully vaccinated). If HRC tests negative household members can discontinue isolation.	Household members should not attend child care or school & only leave home for other essential reasons (e.g., work, groceries) for entire isolation period (unless fully vaccinated).	Household members do not need to stay home while waiting for test results (regardless of vaccination status).	Household members must self-isolate for 10 days from last exposure/contact with the individual who tested positive (unless fully vaccinated). Household members should get tested for COVID-19 immediately.	

Fully Vaccinated means that it has been 14 days or more after receiving your final dose of COVID-19 vaccine.