

# What to do if your student has a positive COVID-19 test result

Confirmed COVID-19: a person (with or without symptoms) who received a positive result from a COVID-19 laboratory test.

## Step 1:

Keep your student home from school

When can my student return to school?

Has COVID-19 symptoms

Does NOT have COVID-19 symptoms

Can return to school after:

- 10 days from when symptoms began
- AND at least 24 hours after fever has resolved (without fever-reducing medication)
- AND symptoms have improved.

Can return to school after:

- Can return to building after isolating for 10 days since the date of positive PCR COVID-19 test collection.

How will student learning be supported?

- Your student's teacher will post instructional plans on Schoology or SeeSaw each week to support learning if your student is required to quarantine. If you have questions about your child's learning, please communicate directly with your student's teachers. Learn more: <https://www.seattleschools.org/news/positive-covid-19-response/>

- If a full class or school needs to quarantine, students will shift to the 100% remote model like the one used during the 2020-21 school year. Bell times will remain on the current schedule.
- Learn more: <https://www.seattleschools.org/resources/at-home-learning/>

## Step 2:

Notify your school

School staff will notify the SPS contact tracing team.

The SPS contact tracing team will contact the family of the student with a positive COVID-19 test to collect information about the student (e.g. vaccination status or potential symptoms) and determine when the student can return to school (see step 1).

SPS contact tracing team will begin investigation process to determine if there was potential exposure at school with any close contacts.

Students identified as close contacts are notified. SPS also goes beyond state recommendations and notifies families when there is a positive case in their student's classroom.

## Step 3:

Work with the SPS contact tracing team to determine next steps

The SPS contact tracing team will contact family of student directly via phone or email with confirmed COVID if the student is symptomatic or asymptomatic and determine when the student can return to school (see step 1).

What communication will families receive?

- ◆ The SPS contact tracing team will communicate directly with the family of the student with a confirmed case via phone or email to discuss next steps.
- Students identified as close contacts are notified by the SPS contact tracing team once the investigation is complete via email and phone call. *See the close contact process for more info.*
- SPS also goes beyond state requirements and notifies the entire classroom via email when there is a positive case.
- SPS does not notify the full school community, except in rare cases. Families can view the COVID-19 dashboard to view cases in their school buildings: <https://www.seattleschools.org/resources/covid-19-dashboard/>