

Appendix A: MDH/MSDE Guidance for COVID-19 Symptoms, Isolation, and Quarantine

Staff or Student/Child with	Guidance for Management
COVID-19 symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • Staff or student/child should not attend or work in a school or child care setting • • COVID-19 testing is recommended • • If test is negative, may return when symptoms have improved, no fever for 24hours without medication, and applicable criteria in the Communicable Diseases Summary have been met
Positive test for COVID-19, regardless of symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • Staff or student/child must stay home for 5 days from the start of symptoms or from the date of the positive test if no symptoms • • After day 5, may return if symptoms have improved and no fever for at least 24 hours without medication • • Upon return, must wear a mask for 5 additional days (except while eating, drinking, sleeping or outside) • • If unable to wear a mask, may return if they have a negative test at day 5 or later; otherwise, they should remain at home for days 6 -10
Close contact with someone with known or suspected COVID-19 but no symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • Staff or student/child can continue to work in or attend school and child care regardless of vaccination status • • Those who can mask should do so for 10 days from the last day of exposure • • A test at 3-5 days after exposure is recommended, especially for those who cannot mask (ex. children under 2 years old)