

COVID-19 Isolation and Quarantine Guidance for Students (Revised November 19, 2021)

Students who have **tested positive** or **are experiencing symptoms** consistent with COVID-19 should not attend school, or attend school-sponsored activities or be on school property until:

- The student receives a negative diagnostic COVID-19 test and is asymptomatic;
- OR**
- Ten days have passed since the onset of symptoms or positive test result, the student has had no fever for 24 hours and the students' other symptoms have improved;
- OR**
- The student receives written permission to return to school from a medical doctor licensed under chapter 458, an osteopathic physician licensed under chapter 459 or an advanced practice registered nurse licensed under chapter 464.

Students who have been **exposed (direct contact)** to an individual who received a positive COVID-19 test (*exposed is defined as cumulative exposure for at least 15 minutes, within 6 feet*) may follow the protocol below.

Protocols - Students Exposed to COVID-19 (Effective November 19, 2021)

Broward Schools will allow parents or legal guardians the authority to choose how their child receives education after having direct contact with an individual who received a positive diagnostic test for COVID-19. Parents may choose one of the following options:

- Allow the student to attend school, school sponsored activities, or be on school property, without restrictions or disparate treatment, so long as the student remains asymptomatic
- OR**
- Quarantine the student for a period not to exceed **seven days** from the date of last direct contact with an individual that is positive for COVID-19.
 - If the student becomes symptomatic following direct contact with an individual that has tested positive for COVID-19 or tests positive for COVID-19, the procedures set forth for symptomatic students and COVID-19 positive students shall apply. Rulemaking Authority 1003.22(3) FS. Law Implemented 1003.22(3) FS. History-New.

This rule takes effect upon being filed with the department of state unless a later time and date is specified in the rule.

Quarantine Exceptions:

- Students who are **fully vaccinated** (i.e., ≥ 2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a two dose vaccine series or ≥ 2 weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine) **do not need to be quarantined for any period of time as long as they remain asymptomatic.**
- If a student with a prior COVID-19 infection in the previous 90 days or a fully vaccinated **student becomes symptomatic**, the student should follow the procedures described above in the Isolation Guidance.
- Students who have **tested positive for COVID-19 within the past 90 days and recovered do not need to be quarantined** for any period of time **as long as they are asymptomatic.**