



Redwood Christian Schools Protocols for the Onset of Symptoms, Close Contact with an Individual Testing Positive for COVID-19 at School

Scenario

Actions

Communication (RCS Communication is sent via email)

1. STUDENT OR EMPLOYEE HAS SYMPTOMS

A RCS student or employee either exhibits COVID-19 symptoms, answers “yes” to a health screening question or has a temp of 100 or above.

SCHOOL

- Send student/employee home
- Isolate student/employee in a separate room or designated area, away from other students and staff, pending pick up at the campus.
- Advise student/employee to contact their healthcare provider and consider COVID-19 testing (and share test results with the campus principal as soon as possible).

Cohort Remains **Open**

School Remains **Open**

FAMILY

- If positive: follow Actions in Scenario 3
- If negative: follow Actions in Scenario 4
- [Follow isolation** instructions](#) unless COVID-19 is ruled out by a health care provider
- [Community Testing Resources are here.](#)

No Communication Will Be Sent

2. CLOSE CONTACT TO STUDENT OR EMPLOYEE TESTS POSITIVE

A household member or someone in close contact* with a student or employee tests positive for COVID-19.

SCHOOL

- Send student/employee home
- Advise student/employee to follow [quarantine*** instructions](#) for a minimum of 14 days.
- Advise student/employee to contact their healthcare provider and consider COVID-19 testing.

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- [Community Testing Resources are here.](#)

*Close Contact—anyone who was within 6 feet of a person for at least 15 minutes .

**Isolation—The practice of separating individuals who have had symptoms, but not COVID-19. You may have had a negative test or no test. No close contacts to you nor you have had a positive test. Ideally, isolated individuals should stay away from household members and should not go in public.

***Quarantine—The practice of separating individuals who have had close contact with someone with COVID-19 or test positive for the disease. Ideally, each quarantined individual should be quarantined in a single cell with solid walls and a solid door that closes.

3. STUDENT OR EMPLOYEE TESTS POSITIVE

A RCS student or employee tests positive for COVID-19.

SCHOOL

- Contact Alameda County Public Health Department: safelearning@acgov.org or 510-268-2101.
- Advise cohort members and/or close contacts of the COVID-19 positive student/employee to follow quarantine instructions and contact their healthcare provider.
- Clean and disinfect classroom and primary spaces where the COVID-19 positive student/employee spent ≥ 15 minutes.

FAMILY

- Contact Alameda County Public Health Department: safelearning@acgov.org or 510-268-2101.
- Advise household contacts of COVID-19 positive student/employee to [follow quarantine instructions](#), contact their healthcare provider, and consider testing.
- [Find community testing resources here.](#)

Cohort **QUARANTINED** for 14 days from last exposure.

Close contacts **QUARANTINE** for 14 days from last exposure.

School Remains **Open**

Communication Will Be **Sent**:

- "Exposure Letter" sent to cohort
- "Notification of a Known Case" set school-wide
- Name of student/employee will not be shared due to HIPAA

4. STUDENT OR EMPLOYEE IS ISOLATED WANTS TO RETURN BEFORE 10 DAYS[^]

While a student or employee has been isolated because of symptoms and want to return to school before 10 days has passed.

SCHOOL & FAMILY

- [Follow isolation instructions](#)

STUDENT/EMPLOYEE CAN RETURN AFTER^{^^}:

- They are feeling better (the symptoms do not have to be completely resolved).
- There have been at least 24 hours with no fever, without taking medicines to lower a fever (i.e. acetaminophen/Tylenol or ibuprofen/Advil/Motrin)
- Must show medical evaluator note to verify that an alternate diagnosis has been made and the symptoms are not due to COVID-19.

[^]If sent home for isolation due to symptoms, student must stay home for 10 days OR can return early if the following is met.

^{^^}While a student/employee has been isolated because of symptoms and receives a negative test result for COVID-19, they must also do the following in order to return before the 10-day isolation period is over.

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5. STUDENT OR EMPLOYEE CURRENTLY QUARANTINED & TESTS NEGATIVE

While a student or employee is placed in quarantine following exposure to a case, they receive a negative test result for COVID-19.

If the student/employee has never had symptoms, gets tested, and the COVID-19 test is negative, they must still remain in quarantine for 14 days. This is because they may develop symptoms and/or become infectious to others at any time during the 14 days.

SCHOOL

- [Follow quarantine instructions](#)
- ACPHD recommends testing 4-10 days after the last exposure to the COVID-19 case

FAMILY

- [Follow quarantine instructions](#)
- Testing is advisable but not required. Parents should discuss the pros and cons of testing with the student's healthcare provider

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