

COVID-19 Diagnosis (When a student tests positive for COVID-19)

- **Option A**

- Students may return to school after meeting all of the following criteria:
 - 10 days after symptoms started (or positive test date if no symptoms)
 - 24 hours fever-free without fever reducing medication AND improved symptoms

- **Option B**

- Students may return to school after meeting all of the following criteria:
 - 5 days after symptoms started (or positive test date if no symptoms)
 - 24 hours fever-free without fever reducing medication AND improved symptoms
 - Wearing a well fitted mask day 6-10
 - Parents must determine if their student can wear a mask appropriately for the entire school day. Students are expected to arrive at school wearing their well-fitted mask.

COVID-19 Exposure

- If there is a COVID-19 exposure, quarantine is optional and not required by ICSD
- If you choose to have your student quarantine, the absence will be excused
- Contact the school nurse and/or the attendance secretary for confirmation of the return to school date

Students who believe they have been exposed to COVID-19 in or outside of the school setting are *not required* to quarantine but may choose to follow the [Iowa Department of Public Health](#) guidelines. Students should monitor for symptoms and coordinate with the primary care provider to make decisions related to COVID exposure.

Additional Information

Parents are responsible to notify their school if their child has tested positive for COVID-19; contact your student's building/attendance secretary or school nurse.

ICSD Families can anticipate that their child may be exposed to COVID-19 during the school year. Due to health department changes in quarantine requirements, ICSD will not contact trace to identify individuals as "close contacts" who may have been exposed to COVID-19 in the school setting. The Warren County Health Department and the Iowa Department of Education have identified that the district should handle COVID-19 as a common childhood illness such as influenza.

Generalized Illness Guidance

Please refer to the Student Health Handbook, which can be found in the Handbook section of the district website, for additional information. Further guidance on childhood illnesses from the Iowa Department of Public Health can be found [here](#).