

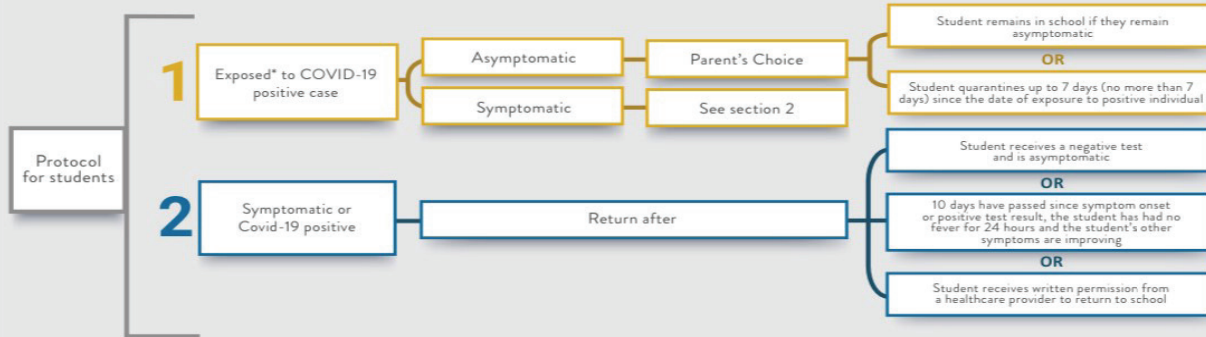
# PROVIDENCE SCHOOL ILLNESS GUIDELINES

## 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

PROTOCOLS FOR CONTROLLING COVID-19



### COVID-19 SYMPTOMATIC DECISION TREE



\*Per CDC, exposure is close contact of 6 feet or less for 15 minutes or more. Contact at greater than 6 feet or for less than 15 minutes is generally not sufficient to transmit the virus.  
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Symptom/Illness	Should <u>NOT</u> attend school or work:	May attend school or work:
Positive COVID19 test	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Positive COVID test (home test, rapid, or PCR)</li> <li>*Pending COVID testing</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>One of the following:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*10 days have passed since symptom onset or positive test result, the student has had no fever for 24hrs and the student's other symptoms are improving <b>OR</b></li> <li>*With a <b>COVID19 negative test</b> AND no fever and improvement of symptoms for <b>24 hours (cannot be a home test) OR</b></li> <li>*With <b>written documentation</b> from a medical healthcare provider with return to school information AND no fever with improvement of symptoms for <b>24 hours</b> is provided</li> </ul>
Exposure to someone who tested positive for COVID	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*No quarantine is required by Providence</li> <li>*Parent choice on quarantining due to exposures</li> <li>*If child becomes symptomatic- please keep your child home and we recommend COVID testing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*If parent chooses to quarantine their child:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Student quarantines up to 7 days (no more than 7 days) since the date of exposure to positive individual</li> <li>•If student becomes symptomatic/test positive for COVID, please notify the nurses and follow the protocol above. The nurses will exempt the absences and give families the timeline to return to school/athletics/after school activities</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>Influenza</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Fever (&gt;100°F)</li> <li>*Cough</li> <li>*Congestion/runny nose and/or sore throat</li> <li>*Body aches and/or fatigue</li> <li>*Vomiting and/or diarrhea</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*With <b>written documentation</b> from a medical healthcare provider with return to school information AND no fever with improvement of symptoms for <b>48 hours</b> is provided</li> </ul>
<b>Sore Throat</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Sore throat with swollen lymph nodes</li> <li>*Positive culture for strep throat</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*After resolution of accompanying symptoms for at least 24 hours. No fever for <b>24 hours</b> without the use of fever reducing medications.</li> <li>*<b>After 24 hours</b> on antibiotics, if positive for Strep</li> </ul>
<b>Cough</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Frequent, uncontrollable, disruptive</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*When cough is infrequent, non-disruptive</li> </ul>
<b>Conjunctivitis (pink eye)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Eye redness, itching, irritation, swelling in one or both eyes</li> <li>*Thick and purulent (pus) discharge</li> <li>*Matted eyelashes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*<b>Bacterial Conjunctivitis</b>- after 24 hours of starting antibiotics drops</li> <li>*<b>Viral Conjunctivitis</b>- with note from the doctor stating "No longer contagious"</li> </ul>
<b>Diarrhea or Vomiting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Diarrhea/vomiting occurs within 24 hours of school <b>starting</b> time</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*If free from diarrhea/vomiting for &gt;24 hours</li> <li>*When able to tolerate regular food</li> <li>*If no fever for <b>24 hours</b></li> </ul>
<b>Pediculosis (Head Lice)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Live lice are present</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*With proof of treatment <b>OR</b></li> <li>*With physician or the school nurse confirming lice free</li> </ul>
<b>Rash or Skin Infection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Rash or signs of skin infection that have not been seen by a doctor</li> <li>*Temperature <math>\geq 100^{\circ}\text{F}</math></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*When rash free or written release from doctor</li> <li>*After 24 hours on antibiotics/antifungals for skin infection</li> <li>*If no fever for <b>24 hours</b></li> </ul>
<b>Chicken Pox (Varicella)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Itchy, pink/red rash with small fluid filled blisters</li> <li>*Temperature at 100°F or above</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*When all lesions are crusted over and dry with no new lesions, usually 5-7 days</li> <li>*If no fever for <b>24 hours</b></li> </ul>