

School Staff and Student Decision Tree

The following decision tree was created for families, students, and staff to better understand the steps that should be taken if an individual develops symptoms. Testing of close contacts (strongly encouraged) should happen 7–10 days into quarantine, or at onset of symptoms. A negative test for a close contact of a COVID-19 positive individual does not end the quarantine period.

INDIVIDUAL PERSON

Are you experiencing any **symptoms of COVID-19**?

Fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, loss of smell or taste, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea?

No

Continue going to school, unless classroom/cohort has been quarantined

Yes AND NOT Tested

If at home, stay at home and get tested for COVID-19

If at school:

1. Tell your teacher or supervisor immediately
2. Go to isolation unit until you can leave school or get picked up as soon as possible

GET TESTED

(strongly encouraged)

Call your doctor. If you do not have a doctor, call the NMDOH hotline for help at 1-855-600-3453

Test result is **NEGATIVE**

Stay home until 24 hours fever-free and with improved symptoms

Test result is **POSITIVE** (or no test result)

Yes AND **POSITIVE** test

Stay home until released from isolation (10 days after symptom onset, 24 hours fever-free, and with improved symptoms)

No **BUT POSITIVE** test

CLOSE CONTACTS

Have you been in **CLOSE CONTACT*** with a confirmed case during their infectious period, in school or out of school?

No

Continue going to school, unless classroom/cohort has been quarantined

Yes

Stay home for 14 days after last exposure to confirmed case

*See definition of Close Contact on page 3.