

Student Covid Protocols

Close Contact Exposure:

An Individual will be considered exposed if they are within 6ft of a Covid-19 positive for more than 15 mins or has direct physical contact for any length of time. If the Covid-19 positive was wearing a mask during the time of exposure, the 6ft radius can be reduced to 3ft/15mins. **Please notify the school if your child has been exposed to a Covid-19 positive.**

Oklahoma City-County Health Department (OCCHD) recommends Covid testing 5-7 days after exposure to a positive or earlier if you begin to show symptoms.

***Testing is voluntary and not required**

Symptom Monitoring:

When notified of a Covid-19 positive, EPS will conduct a contact tracing investigation to determine who would be considered exposed and may be at risk for symptom development. Upon completion of the investigation, individuals identified as close contact exposures will be notified and strongly encouraged to complete a 7-Day or 10-Day quarantine. Anyone choosing not to quarantine, will need to monitor for symptoms and follow the EPS guidance for symptomatic staff/students. Symptom monitoring will begin the day after last contact with a Covid-19 positive and continue for 14 calendar days. If exposed to a separate Covid-19 positive during the 14-day monitoring period, the monitoring period will be adjusted to accommodate the new exposure timeline.

14-Day symptom monitoring will include the entire class, group and/or team after a reported Covid-19 positive.

Quarantines for Close Contact Exposure

Edmond Public Schools & Oklahoma City-County Health Department strongly recommend that any individual exposed to a Covid-19 positive complete a **7-Day or 10-Day quarantine**. Anyone choosing to complete a recommended quarantine will need to follow the guidelines listed below:

Recommended 7 Day Quarantine:

Any quarantined individual who has not developed symptoms of Covid-19, may choose to take a Covid-19 test **on or after Day 6** post exposure, and be eligible to return **on or after Day 8** post exposure if they continue to be symptom free and can provide a negative test result. Symptom monitoring is required through Day 14. If choosing to complete a 7-Day quarantine, all requirements must be satisfied prior to returning to school.

Recommended 10 Day Quarantine:

Any quarantined individual who has not developed symptoms of Covid-19, will be eligible to return **on or after Day 10** post exposure if they continue to be symptom free. Symptom monitoring is required through Day 14. If choosing to complete a 10-Day quarantine, all requirements must be satisfied prior to returning to school.

Symptomatic Individual:

Anyone who is actively exhibiting **1 unexplained high risk symptom or 2 unexplained low risk symptoms per the EPS symptom chart or any symptom regardless of severity, risk level or quantity during the exposure monitoring period** will be sent home to complete a **10 Day isolation**. If the symptomatic individual chooses to follow up with a medical provider and/or take a Covid-19 test and receives an alternative diagnosis or a negative test result, they may return 24-hrs after symptoms have resolved or in accordance with current EPS procedures. If choosing to return after an alternative diagnosis or negative test result, documentation **must be** provided to the office, prior to or on the morning of your return. No documentation is required if completing the 10-Day isolation.

Covid-19 Isolation:

Anyone who has received a positive Covid-19 test result will be required to complete a 10-Day isolation. The isolation period will begin the day of the positive test or the day symptoms develop. If symptoms develop after the positive test result, the 10-day isolation period will restart from the day of symptom onset.

***A Covid-19 vaccine will not exempt anyone from Covid-19 isolation.**

Covid-19 related absence will be excused per Edmond Public School and State Department of Education policy.