



PCSD Quarantine Protocols for Parents

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PCSD Parents & Guardians,

STUDENTS WHO ARE CONFIRMED POSITIVE CASES OF COVID-19

Isolation: Under ALL Operations Levels, confirmed positive COVID-19 students, vaccinated and unvaccinated, are required to isolate under DPH guidelines: <https://dph.georgia.gov/isolation-contact>

STUDENTS WHO ARE POTENTIAL CLOSE CONTACTS

GREEN / YELLOW OPERATIONS LEVELS

Exposure Identified in School

Vaccinated and Unvaccinated Students:

- Student **may attend school** but must remain symptom-free and should wear a mask or face covering through Day 10 according to DPH recommendations.
- Student is to monitor symptoms daily and remain symptom-free.
- If symptoms develop, refer to DPH isolation guidance: <https://dph.georgia.gov/isolation-contact>.

Exposure Identified Outside of School

Vaccinated Students:

- Student **may attend school** but must remain symptom-free and should wear a mask or face covering through Day 10 according to DPH recommendations.
- Student is to monitor symptoms daily and remain symptom-free.
- If symptoms develop, refer to DPH isolation guidance: <https://dph.georgia.gov/isolation-contact>.

Unvaccinated Students:

- Student is to **quarantine at home Days 1-5** (Day 0 is date of exposure) and follow DPH guidance: <https://dph.georgia.gov/contact>.
- Student may return Day 6 if asymptomatic and should wear a mask or face covering through Day 10.
- Student may return Day 11 if asymptomatic and opted to complete the 10-day quarantine at home.

ORANGE OPERATIONS LEVEL

Vaccinated Students:

You may elect to send your child to school if the following conditions are met:

- Your student wears a mask or face covering through Day 10 of the quarantine period. If unable to wear a mask or face covering, refer to DPH quarantine guidance: <https://dph.georgia.gov/contact>.
- Your student remains COVID-19 symptom-free.
- If symptoms develop, refer to DPH isolation guidance: <https://dph.georgia.gov/isolation-contact>.

Unvaccinated Students:

Student **MAY NOT** attend school, and must:

- Quarantine at home Days 1-5 (Day 0 is date of exposure) and follow DPH guidance: <https://dph.georgia.gov/contact>.
- Student may return Day 6 if asymptomatic and student wears a mask or face covering through Day 10. If unable to wear a mask or face covering, refer to DPH quarantine guidance <https://dph.georgia.gov/contact>.
- Student may return day 11 if asymptomatic. No mask required.

DEFINITION OF VACCINATED

<https://dph.georgia.gov/covid-vaccine>

STUDENTS WHO ARE POTENTIAL CLOSE CONTACTS – EXEMPTION FROM QUARANTINE

If a student has recovered from COVID-19 within the past 90 days, the student may attend school if identified as a close contact if the student remains asymptomatic and should wear a mask or face covering for the 10-day quarantine period. Proof of a positive test report (not a home test) must be submitted to be considered exempt from being identified as a close contact per DPH guidelines.

ONGOING MITIGATIONS

Sick Students:

The school district encourages parents to be mindful of their family’s activities outside of school and to monitor for symptoms of illness. It is critical that parents do not send students to school when they are sick and/or showing symptoms. Ensuring that sick children are not sent to school helps keep our schools open, healthy, and safe. When in doubt, please err on the side of caution and do not send students to school when they are sick and/or showing symptoms.

Thank you for your support as we work as a community to keep our schools healthy and safe!