



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>

You may discontinue home isolation if:

- At least 5 days have passed since symptoms first appeared **and**
- At least 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **and**
- Symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath) have improved.

Or:

- If asymptomatic, at least 5 days have passed since the positive laboratory test.

Note: To determine 5 days for isolation, Day 0 of isolation is the date symptoms begin, or, if asymptomatic, the date of your first positive test.

STUDENTS WHO ARE POTENTIAL CLOSE CONTACTS

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) released updated guidance for quarantines with K-12 schools on 8/11/2022. Students who may have been exposed to an individual with COVID-19, who have not tested positive for COVID-19, and remain asymptomatic may attend school and are not required to quarantine. The parent/guardian or student should monitor symptoms daily, and if COVID-19 symptoms present, follow the isolation protocol. Wearing a mask and testing is recommended following exposure. For complete information see: [Operational Guidance for K-12 Schools and Early Care and Education Programs to Support Safe In-Person Learning | CDC](#)

DEFINITION OF VACCINATED

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

ONGOING MITIGATIONS

Sick Students:

The school district encourages parents to monitor their students 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.

Current guidance will continue to be shared to you on our website. We will no longer share notification letters for positive cases, as we encourage you to continuously monitor for symptoms of illness and keep sick students at home.

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