

COVID-19 School Exclusion Recommendations

Exclusion From and Return to School Recommendations

| <p>COVID-19 Symptoms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two of the following symptoms: fever (measured or subjective), chills, fatigue, myalgia, headache, sore throat, congestion, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea OR One of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, or new loss of taste or smell | <p>Individual should be tested for COVID-19.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If test result is negative OR doctor's note with differential diagnosis, return to school after 24 hours afebrile and improved respiratory symptoms If test result is positive or individual is unable/refuses to get tested, may return to school after: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ 24 hours with no fever and ➢ Improvement in symptoms and ➢ 10 days since symptoms first appeared | <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>May return to school after:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 days after specimen was collected <p>*If symptoms develop during the 10 days, follow return to school guidance for positive PCR or Antigen test with symptoms</p> <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>Excluded 14 days after last date of exposure to the person with COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household contacts may require further investigation, by either OPH or school officials, to determine dates of quarantine A negative test does not allow an individual to end their quarantine period early. <p>*If symptoms develop during the 14 days, follow return to school guidance for Close Contact with symptoms</p> <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>A negative COVID-19 test must be completed within 72 hours prior to entering PA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents who are unable to be tested before returning to the state can be tested upon return, but must quarantine until they receive their results If someone cannot or chooses not to be tested, they must quarantine for 14 days upon arrival in PA <p>This does NOT apply to travelers under age 11 or people who commute to and from another state for work or medical exemption. For more information, click here</p> |
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| <p>Positive COVID-19 PCR or Antigen (Point of Care) Test</p> | <p>WITH SYMPTOMS</p> <p>May return to school after:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24 hours with no fever and Improvement in symptoms and 10 days since symptoms first appeared <p>WITH SYMPTOMS</p> <p>Individual should be tested for COVID-19</p> <p>May return to school after:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24 hours with no fever and Improvement in symptoms and 10 days since symptoms first appeared | <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>May return to school after:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 days after specimen was collected <p>*If symptoms develop during the 10 days, follow return to school guidance for positive PCR or Antigen test with symptoms</p> <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>Excluded 14 days after last date of exposure to the person with COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household contacts may require further investigation, by either OPH or school officials, to determine dates of quarantine A negative test does not allow an individual to end their quarantine period early. <p>*If symptoms develop during the 14 days, follow return to school guidance for Close Contact with symptoms</p> <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>A negative COVID-19 test must be completed within 72 hours prior to entering PA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents who are unable to be tested before returning to the state can be tested upon return, but must quarantine until they receive their results If someone cannot or chooses not to be tested, they must quarantine for 14 days upon arrival in PA <p>This does NOT apply to travelers under age 11 or people who commute to and from another state for work or medical exemption. For more information, click here</p> |
| <p>Close Contact to Positive*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Within 6ft for 15 minutes or more Household contact <p>*Close contacts should be tested regardless of symptoms, however a negative test result does not end quarantine early.</p> | <p>WITH SYMPTOMS</p> <p>Individual should be tested for COVID-19</p> <p>May return to school after:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24 hours with no fever and Improvement in symptoms and 10 days since symptoms first appeared | <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>May return to school after:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 days after specimen was collected <p>*If symptoms develop during the 10 days, follow return to school guidance for positive PCR or Antigen test with symptoms</p> <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>Excluded 14 days after last date of exposure to the person with COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household contacts may require further investigation, by either OPH or school officials, to determine dates of quarantine A negative test does not allow an individual to end their quarantine period early. <p>*If symptoms develop during the 14 days, follow return to school guidance for Close Contact with symptoms</p> <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>A negative COVID-19 test must be completed within 72 hours prior to entering PA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents who are unable to be tested before returning to the state can be tested upon return, but must quarantine until they receive their results If someone cannot or chooses not to be tested, they must quarantine for 14 days upon arrival in PA <p>This does NOT apply to travelers under age 11 or people who commute to and from another state for work or medical exemption. For more information, click here</p> |
| <p>** PA Travel Mandate</p> <p>Critical workers are encouraged to wear both a face shield and mask and social distance, if unable to quarantine</p> | <p>WITH SYMPTOMS</p> <p>If symptoms develop during the 14 day return to PA, follow return to school guidance for COVID-19 symptoms</p> | <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>May return to school after:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 days after specimen was collected <p>*If symptoms develop during the 10 days, follow return to school guidance for positive PCR or Antigen test with symptoms</p> <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>Excluded 14 days after last date of exposure to the person with COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Household contacts may require further investigation, by either OPH or school officials, to determine dates of quarantine A negative test does not allow an individual to end their quarantine period early. <p>*If symptoms develop during the 14 days, follow return to school guidance for Close Contact with symptoms</p> <p>WITHOUT SYMPTOMS</p> <p>A negative COVID-19 test must be completed within 72 hours prior to entering PA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents who are unable to be tested before returning to the state can be tested upon return, but must quarantine until they receive their results If someone cannot or chooses not to be tested, they must quarantine for 14 days upon arrival in PA <p>This does NOT apply to travelers under age 11 or people who commute to and from another state for work or medical exemption. For more information, click here</p> |

2020 – BAHAN – 517 – 07-18-UPD: Discontinuation of Transmission-Based Precautions for Patients with COVID-19
 2020 – BAHAN – 577 – 09-21-ADV: Testing and Management Guidance for Patients After Exposure to SARS-CoV-2
 **PADOH COVID 19 Information for Travelers