

Archdiocese of San Antonio Catholic Schools

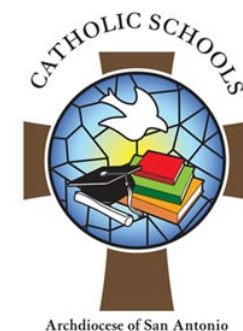
Protocols for 2020-2021 School Year

August 6, 2020

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COVID-19 Symptoms

In evaluating whether an individual has symptoms consistent with COVID-19, consider the following question:

Any of the following symptoms indicate a possible COVID-19 infection:

- **Temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher when taken by mouth;**
- **Sore throat;**
- **New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (or, for students with a chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline);**
- **Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain; or**
- **New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever.**

CONFIRMED OR SUSPECTED COVID-19

Lab-confirmed COVID-19

ANY INDIVIDUAL
(teachers, staff, students, volunteers or other campus visitors)

Experiences the symptoms of COVID-19

MUST stay at home through the 14-day incubation period, and cannot return to campus until the Catholic school screens the individual to determine any of the following conditions for campus re-entry have been met

May return to school when all three of the following criteria are met:

- At least three days (**72 hours**) have passed since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications)
- The individual has improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and
- At least ten days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

CLOSE CONTACT

- Being directly exposed to infectious secretions (e.g., being coughed on); or
- Being within 6 feet for a cumulative duration of 15 minutes; if either occurred at any time in the last 14 days at the same time the infected individual was infectious. Individuals are presumed infectious at least two days prior to symptom onset, or in the case of asymptomatic individuals who are lab-confirmed with

ANY INDIVIDUAL (teachers, staff, students, volunteers or other campus visitors)

Who have had close contact with someone who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19

MUST stay at home through the 14-day incubation period, & should not be on campus

Catholic schools should screen individuals after the incubation period has concluded, and if the individual did not experience COVID-19 symptoms during that period, the individual can be allowed back on campus. If the individual experienced symptoms, they must stay at home until the conditions outlined have been met.

If individual displayed symptoms of COVID-19 during the incubation period, they may return to school when all three of the following criteria are met:

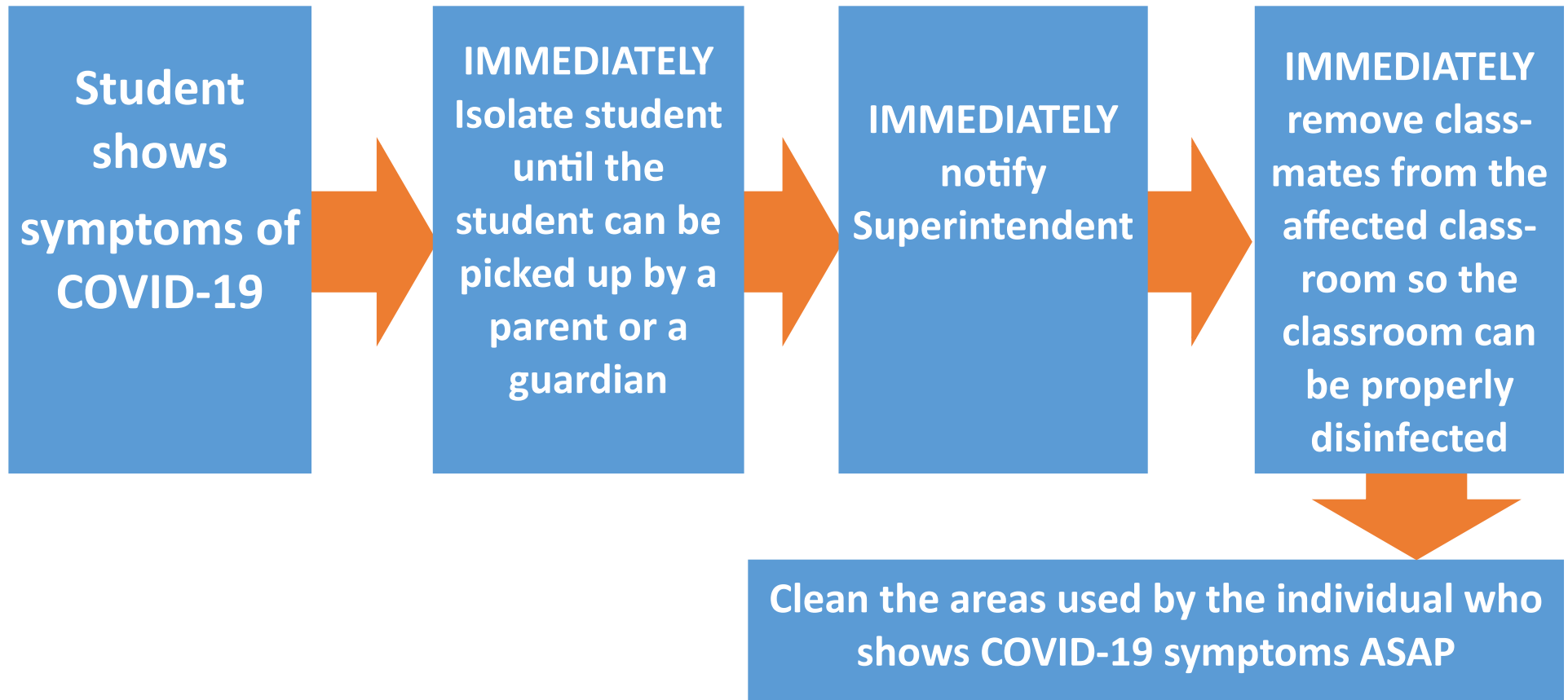
- **At least three days (72 hours) have passed since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications)**
- **The individual has improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and**
- **At least ten days have passed since symptoms first appeared.**

PREVENT: *Individuals Confirmed, Suspected, or Exposed to COVID-19*

If the individual has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and wants to return to school before completing the stay at home period on the previous page, the individual must either:

- (a) obtain a medical doctor –licensed in the state of Texas, note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis or
- (b) receive two separate confirmations at least 24 hours apart that they are free of COVID-19 via acute infection tests at an approved COVID-19 testing location found at <https://tdem.texas.gov/covid-19/>.

ISOLATION OF STUDENT WITH SYMPTOMS



RESPOND: *Practices to Respond to a Lab-Confirmed Case in the School*

