

FCPS Response to COVID-19 Symptom(s) or Positive Case of COVID-19

Individuals Exhibiting Any One COVID-19 Symptom(s)

- Fever 100.4 degrees or higher
- Sore throat
- Cough
- Difficulty breathing
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Severe headache
- New loss of taste or smell

FCPS Staff Conduct Case Investigation: Information Gathering

- Name, grade, contact information
- Activity individual is involved in
- Last date individual was in person at school or school sponsored event
- Role (i.e. staff, student, coach, volunteer, or other)
- COVID-19 symptoms
- Date of first onset of symptoms
- Date, result and type of COVID-19 test
- Potential close contacts (to assist with contact tracing)
- Vaccination Status

COVID-19 Symptom Response

All unvaccinated FCPS students living at the same residence are isolated for 10 days pending:

- Alternative diagnosis from a healthcare provider
or
- Negative PCR or Rapid Antigen COVID-19 test result

Maryland Department of Health Classroom/Cohort Outbreak Definition

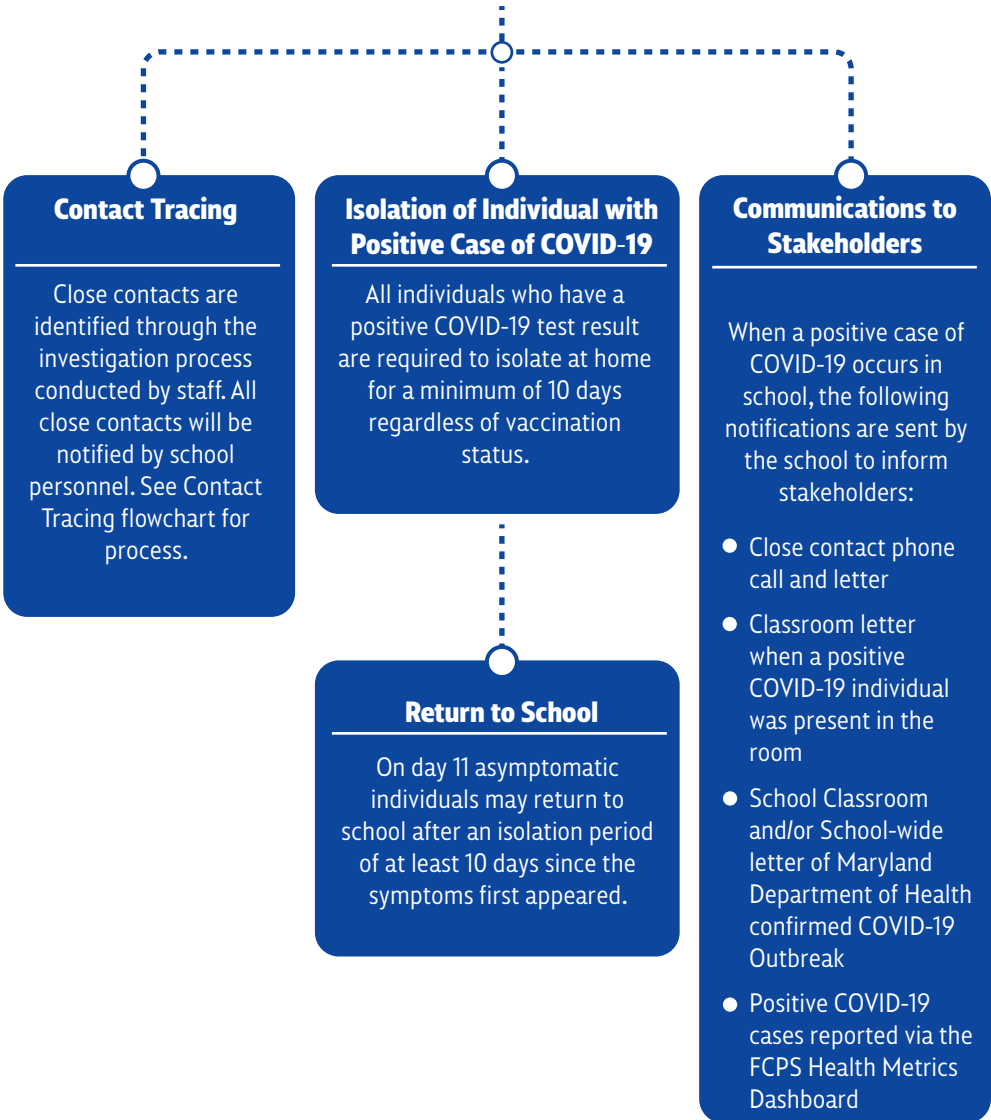
The Maryland Department of Health makes the decision regarding school outbreaks.

Classroom/Cohort

At least two confirmed COVID-19 cases among students/teachers/staff within a 14-day period and who are epidemiologically linked, but not household contacts; or

School-wide

Three or more classrooms or cohorts with cases from separate households that meet the classroom/cohort outbreak definition that occurs within 14 days; or five percent or more unrelated students/ teachers/staff have confirmed COVID-19 within a 14 day period (minimum of 10 unrelated students/teachers/staff).



Contact Tracing

Close contacts are identified through the investigation process conducted by staff. All close contacts will be notified by school personnel. See Contact Tracing flowchart for process.

Isolation of Individual with Positive Case of COVID-19

All individuals who have a positive COVID-19 test result are required to isolate at home for a minimum of 10 days regardless of vaccination status.

Communications to Stakeholders

When a positive case of COVID-19 occurs in school, the following notifications are sent by the school to inform stakeholders:

- Close contact phone call and letter
- Classroom letter when a positive COVID-19 individual was present in the room
- School Classroom and/or School-wide letter of Maryland Department of Health confirmed COVID-19 Outbreak
- Positive COVID-19 cases reported via the FCPS Health Metrics Dashboard

Return to School

On day 11 asymptomatic individuals may return to school after an isolation period of at least 10 days since the symptoms first appeared.