

# Student Symptom Decision Tree

Screen all students for potential COVID-19 symptoms or exposure

## Low-risk: general symptoms



Fever ( $\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$ )



Sore throat



Congestion/runny nose



Headache



Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea



Fatigue/muscle or body aches



Cough



Difficulty breathing



Loss of taste/smell

## Exposure to COVID-19 positive person?

Close contact: less than 6 feet, 15 minutes or longer

**NO**

▶ 1 **low risk** symptom



Send home



Return to school **24** hrs after symptom resolution (without fever reducing medication)

▶  $\geq 2$  **low risk** symptoms  
OR 1 **high risk** symptom



Send home



Evaluation by health care provider

1

Confirm alternate diagnosis.  
A doctor's note not required.



Return to school after **24** hrs without fever and symptoms improving

2

**Negative** SARS-CoV-2  
PCR test.



Return to school after **24** hrs without fever and symptoms improving

3

**Positive** SARS-CoV-2  
PCR test  
OR  
No provider visit or test.

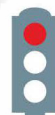


**Return to school only after 10 days since symptom onset and 24 hrs without fever. Quarantine close contacts of confirmed cases. Contact HCA if questions.**

**YES**



Stay home\*



**Return to school after 14 days from last contact, unless symptoms develop. If symptoms develop, perform SARS-CoV-2 PCR test.**

\*In consultation with Sacramento County Public Health



This care pathway was designed to assist school personnel and is not intended to replace the clinician's judgment or establish a protocol for all patients with a particular condition. Diagnosis and treatment should be under the close supervision of a qualified health care provider. Guidance might change