Independence School District

HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS STUDENTS/STAFF WITH HOUSEHOLD MEMBER TESTING FOR COVID-19

Student/staff member should not return to school/work if a member of their household is awaiting COVID-19 test results and the student/staff member is not fully vaccinated. Student/staff member is not required to quarantine if they are fully vaccinated (unless symptomatic) or if the student/staff member is within 90 days of a positive COVID-19 diagnosis.

COVID-19 Test Results for Member of the Same Household

Positive

If a student/staff member is exposed to a positive case of COVID-19, the student/staff member should remain home for assessment and should consider testing. Student/staff member is not required to quarantine if they are fully vaccinated (unless symptomatic) or if the student/staff member is within 90 days of a positive COVID-19 diagnosis.

Negative

Student/staff member may return to school upon working with the school nurse at their building.



Is the student/staff member exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19? (fever, cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, sore throat or loss of taste or smell)

YES



NO



Student/staff member should not return to school until they have worked with the school nurse. The nurse can approve students/staff to return if:

- 10 days* have passed since the first symptom appeared AND
- Student/staff member is fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.
 Symptoms should also be improving.

Students/staff members who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 and test negative should follow the same guidelines as a positive case before returning to school/work. Although the risk is low, if a fully vaccinated staff member or student develops symptoms consistent with Covid-19, they should isolate, be clinically evaluated, and tested if indicated.

Student/staff members who are not fully vaccinated should not return to school for 14 days from last exposure.**

If contact continues throughout the isolation period of the positive COVID-19 case, the student/staff member should not return until 14 days after the positive case is off isolation AND upon working with the school nurse.

*Individuals who are hospitalized for COVID-19 and/or are severely immunocompromised may warrant an isolation period of up to 20 days after their first symptom appeared.

