Protocol for Symptomatic or Positive COVID-19 Student or Staff

Student or Staff is Symptomatic
Fever, cough, shortness of breath, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, muscle or body aches.

Isolate and send home immediately. BEFORE RETURNING Student or staff MUST:

- Seek medical attention and must have provider note.
- **OR**
- Have a negative COVID-19 test.
- **OR**
- Quarantine for 10 days and be symptom free for 48 hours

Student or staff has note from a medical provider or negative COVID-19 test.

Allow student or staff to return.

Student or staff test positive for COVID-19. School notifies Local County Health department of COVID case.

- Local County Health Department contacts student, parent, or staff to perform case investigation and contact tracing.
- The Local County Health Department will notify school for collaboration with contact tracing and to identify close contacts.
- Close contacts include persons within 3 ft or less for more than 15 minutes. Contact tracers may also consider duration and proximity of contact and other criteria in determining close contacts.

Contacts to positive case:

- **Students/staff in contact closer than 3 feet**
  - Vaccinated students and staff do **NOT** need to quarantine **UNLESS** symptomatic. **HOWEVER,** it is recommended to be tested within 3-5 days after exposure.
  - Unvaccinated individuals **MUST** quarantine for 10 days after exposure or as directed by the Department of Health and may **NOT** return to school or work until cleared by the Department of Health
- **Students/staff masked outside of 3 ft**, NO quarantine UNLESS directed to do so.

Positive student or staff will be isolated for a minimum of 10 days from start of symptoms.

Student or staff must be 48 hours without a fever, un-medicated, and have a progressive improvement in symptoms before returning