



Student Case and Exposure Response Guidance

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BUSD follows the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Group Contact Tracing Guidance for school-site COVID-19 exposures. [Group Tracing Guidance Approach](#). Under surge conditions, the district moves to all-school exposure notifications rather than individual case exposure notifications.

Students are strongly urged to participate in weekly testing at their school site. Students who have tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 90 days should not participate in school-site testing until day 91, unless they develop COVID-19 symptoms.

Spring 2022 Case Response

For Student During Any Exposure (In-School or Outside of School)

Regardless of vaccination status, there is no home quarantine requirement for students after a COVID-19 exposure, providing a student is not symptomatic. All asymptomatic students can participate in school and extracurricular activities after an exposure.

Exposed students, regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status, should get tested for COVID-19 with at least one diagnostic test (e.g., an FDA-authorized antigen diagnostic test, PCR diagnostic test, or pooled PCR test) obtained within 3-5 days after last exposure, unless they had COVID-19 within the last 90 days.

Exposed students who had COVID-19 within the last 90 days do not need to be tested after exposure but should monitor for symptoms. If symptoms develop, they should isolate and get tested with an antigen test.

In high-risk transmission exposures, for example, during an outbreak, parents/guardians of students who are close contacts may receive other specific directions.

Vaccine Status	Guidance	Test Window
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Any	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can remain at school with NO symptoms • Can participate in all school and before/after school activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required to mask for 10 days. • Recommended to test between days 3-5. • If test result is positive, follow the positive test guidance below. • If symptoms develop, follow symptom guidance below. • NOTE: If student has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days, they should not test, unless they develop symptoms.
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Isolation After Testing Positive for COVID-19 (Students)

Please use the table below for Isolation decisions for students that have tested positive for COVID-19. Note: For counting purposes, Day Zero is the day someone first has symptoms or tests positive if they haven't had symptoms.

Students that test positive for Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay home and isolate for 5 days • Isolation can end after day 5 IF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Symptoms are not present or are resolving AND ○ No fever for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) AND ○ Negative test on day 5 or later (antigen test recommended) • Mask through Day 10. • If unable to test and symptoms are not present or resolving, isolation can end after day 10 • If fever is not resolving, continue to isolate.
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COVID-19 Symptoms (Students)

When Student Has COVID-19 Symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isolate and complete a Covid-19 test • If test result is negative and symptoms have improved/no fever (without the use of fever-reducing medicine) student may return to school • Required to mask for 10 days • Share test results with student's school • Students may also get a doctor's note stating that their symptoms are not from COVID and may return to school
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