

maranatha | COVID-19 Decision Tree | As of July 28, 2021 (Adapted from the MN Department of Health)

Follow the appropriate path if a child, student or staff person—regardless of vaccination status - is experiencing the following symptoms:

- **More Common:** fever of 100.4 or higher; new onset* and/or worsening cough; difficulty/hard time breathing; new loss of taste or smell.
- **Less Common:** sore throat; nausea; vomiting; diarrhea; chills; muscle pain; excessive fatigue/feeling very tired; new onset* severe/very bad headache; new onset* nasal congestion/stuffy or runny nose.

***New onset** means that the symptom is not something that is experienced on a regular basis or is associated with a pre-existing condition.

Path 1

For People with
• ONE “less common” symptom

Evaluate symptom and determine if person is well enough to remain in school or program.

If determined well enough to attend, person can remain in school or program.

If determined ill person should stay home. Consider an evaluation from a doctor/health care provider and/or COVID-19 test.

Person with symptom(s) returns to school or program 24 hours after symptom(s) improve.

Path 2

For people with:
• ONE “more common” symptom OR at least
• TWO “less common” symptoms OR
• ANY symptom (listed above) during quarantine.

Person should stay home or is sent home.

Evaluation from a doctor/health care provider and/or gets a COVID-19 test.

Receives negative COVID-19 test result OR alternative diagnosis.

Siblings and household members DO NOT need to stay home or quarantine, unless they are exhibiting symptoms.

Does not seek evaluation from a doctor/health care provider or get a COVID-19 test.

Receives a positive COVID-19 test result. *Fill out a Positive Test form on MCA website.*

Siblings and all others who are not fully vaccinated or have not had lab confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days and who live with positive-tested person should quarantine for at least 14 days. Day 1 of quarantine starts the day after their last day of contact with positive-tested person.

Email Attendance Line with explanation. Stay at home and away from others living in the house (isolation) for at least 10 days from time symptoms started AND until symptoms have improved AND no fever for 24 hours (without fever reducing medications).

Close Contact Path

For people who are a close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19.

A close contact is a person who was within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes or more (in a 24 hour period of time) of someone who is infected. This includes anyone who lives in the same household.

Stay home from all activities for 10 days since the last contact with the positive case.

If the close contact person receives a negative COVID-19 test result after exposure, he or she can return to school or program with written proof of negative test, except if close contact lives with a positive-tested person. He or she will need to quarantine for 14 days.

Day 1 of quarantine starts the day after their last day of contact with positive-tested person.

If symptoms develop and/or a positive test result is received.

See Path 2 for directives.

If the close contact is fully vaccinated or has had lab confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days, he or she will NOT HAVE TO QUARANTINE, but should monitor for symptoms.

Siblings and those who live with a person considered a **close contact** will NOT HAVE TO QUARANTINE.