 Student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19 If no symptom(s), at least 10 days of exclusion after date of first COVID positive test (date of nasal swab, saliva test or blood draw) If symptom(s) are present, at least 10 days of exclusion from onset of symptom Period of exclusion will be extended until at least 24 hours after fever breaks (without fever-reducing medication) AND improvement of symptom(s) Release from isolation letter or other method from LHD required prior to return Quarantine for close contacts? YES 	10 calendar days (minimum)
 Student or staff member is a probable COVID-19 case Obtains a COVID-19 diagnosis without diagnostic testing OR Has COVID-like symptoms and is epidemiologically linked to a known case At least 10 days of exclusion from onset of symptom(s) Period of exclusion will be extended until at least 24 hours after fever breaks (without fever-reducing medication) AND improvement of symptom(s) 'Release from Isolation' letter or other method from LHD required prior to return Quarantine for close contacts? YES 	10 calendar days (minimum)
Student or staff member is symptomatic (exhibits one or more symptoms of COVID-19) Fever, new onset of moderate to severe headache, new cough, shortness of breath, sore thro diarrhea, abdominal pain from an unknown cause, new congestion/runny nose, new loss of se smell, nausea, fatigue from unknown cause, muscle or body aches and poor appetite/poor fee	ense of taste or eding
 Symptomatic student or staff member with a negative COVID-19 diagnostic test The diagnostic test must be an RT-PCR (real-time reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction) viral test (nasal swab or blood) FDA Coronavirus Testing Basics PDF: https://www.fda.gov/media/140161/download (new 10/13/2020) from IDPH Decision Tree Antibody tests cannot be used to prove or disprove a COVID-19 infection Specimen collected 48 hours prior to or any time after symptom onset; specimens collective more than 48 hours prior to symptom onset are not counted for purposes of determining school exclusions (new 10/13/2020) Require for return: negative COVID-19 test OR healthcare provider's note Quarantine for close contacts? NO 	Stay home until symptom(s) have improved or resolved <u>Must</u> provide negative COVID- 19 test OR note from healthcare provider
 Symptomatic student or staff member with an alternative diagnosis Student/staff member may present documentation of other illness or condition (<i>e.g.</i>, allergies, fibromyalgia, traumatic brain injury, etc.) that may be causing symptom(s) Require for return: A healthcare provider's note (<i>deleted physician on 8/13/2020</i>) with the alternative diagnosis If COVID-19 testing is not performed due to the clinical judgment of the healthcare provider, a medical note is required to return to school that documents 1) there is no 	Stay home until symptom(s) have improved or resolved <u>Must</u> provide documentation



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Syr	nptomatic student or staff member without diagnostic testing or clinical evaluation	10 calendar days
•	At least 10 days of exclusion from onset of symptom(s)	(minimum)
•	Period of exclusion will be extended until at least 24 hours after fever breaks (without	14 calendar days
	fever-reducing medication) AND improvement of symptom(s)	with 'close
•	Self-certification from staff member/parent/guardian indicating all household contacts	contact' to a
	are afebrile without medication and symptoms have improved required upon return	case (someone
•	Can SD require a negative COVID-19 test for return? NO	who is COVID-19
•	Quarantine for close contacts? YES for household members; consider quarantine for other close contacts if poor adherence to social distancing or use of face coverings	positive)
Stu	dent or staff member had close contact with someone who is COVID-19 positive	14 calendar days
•	A close contact is anyone (with or without a face covering) who was within 6 feet of a	
	confirmed case of COVID-19 (with or without a face covering), for at least 15 minutes	
	throughout the course of a day	
٠	The period of close contact begins 2 calendar days before the onset of symptoms in the	
	source case (if the source case was symptomatic) OR 2 calendar days before the	
	positive sample was obtained from the source case (if asymptomatic) If the source case was symptomatic, people with briefer periods of exposure may also	
•	be considered contacts who require quarantine	
•	Period of exclusion starts on the date of the most recent close contact	
•	The close contact can happen at school, home, in the community, etc.	
•	Individuals who remain asymptomatic throughout 14 calendar days of quarantine do	
	not need a physician's note to return to school	
٠	Can student or staff member obtain a negative COVID-19 test to return early? No; the	
	14-day quarantine is required due to the incubation/infectious period of COVID-19.	
Stu	dent or staff member had close contact with someone with COVID-19 symptom(s)	14 calendar days
•	A close contact is anyone (with or without a face covering) who was within 6 feet of a	
•	confirmed case of COVID-19 (with or without a face covering), for at least 15 minutes	
	throughout the course of a day	
•	The period of close contact begins 2 calendar days before the onset of symptoms in the	
	source case	
•	People with briefer periods of exposure to the source case may also be considered contacts who require quarantine	
•	Period of exclusion starts on the date of the most recent close contact	
•	The close contact can happen at school, home, in the community, etc.	
•	Individuals who remain asymptomatic throughout 14 calendar days of quarantine do	
	not need a physician's note to return to school	
٠	Can student/staff member obtain a negative COVID-19 test to return early in these	
	situations? No; the 14-day quarantine is required due to the incubation period and	
-	infectious period of COVID-19.	
•	infectious period of COVID-19. What if the source case tests negative? The student or staff member may return if:	
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•	 infectious period of COVID-19. What if the source case tests negative? The student or staff member may return if: A diagnostic viral test was performed on the source case (nasal swab or blood); antibody tests cannot be used to prove or disprove a COVID-19 infection 	



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 Student or staff member has a temperature 100.4°F (38°C) or higher (IDPH decision tree) with no other COVID-19 symptoms At least 24 hours must elapse from resolution of the fever without fever reducing medication before the student/staff member can return to school At least 24 hours must also elapse without diarrhea or vomiting If any other COVID-19 symptoms are present, treat as symptomatic 	24 hours (minimum)
 Household members When one member of a household is being evaluated for COVID-19, the rest of the household must be quarantined until an alternative diagnosis is made or negative result received If a student or staff member who lives in the home becomes a confirmed case (<i>i.e.</i>, tests positive for COVID-19) or a probable case (<i>i.e.</i>, has COVID-like symptoms and is epidemiologically linked to known case), the local health department conducting contact tracing will place all household contacts, including siblings and parents, in quarantine for 14 calendar days 	14 calendar days
 Close contacts on the bus or in the classroom If a confirmed or probable COVID-19 case is identified in a classroom, or on a school bus, who will be considered close contacts that need to be quarantined for 14 calendar days? Will this include the entire classroom or all the students on the bus? Exposure in a classroom should be limited to everyone with whom the confirmed or probable COVID case had close contact, within 6 feet, for at least 15 minutes throughout the course of a day Exposure on a bus must include everyone who sat within 6 feet of the confirmed or probable COVID case for 15 minutes or longer. A possible approach to identifying close contacts on a bus would be to include persons who sat 3 rows in front and 3 rows behind the confirmed or probable COVID case. 	14 calendar days
 Student or staff member previously tested COVID-19 positive and are exhibiting symptom(s) of COVID-19 again; do they need to be sent home or quarantine again? Individuals who tested COVID-19 positive within the past 3 months by a viral test (PCR) or Antigen test should not have a suspicion of COVID-19 reinfection, and therefore, do not need to be excluded, isolated or quarantined for a period of 3 months from symptom onset date or specimen collection date (if asymptomatic) They should, of course, return to school only when feeling better 	No mandatory exclusion if within 3 months Stay home until symptom(s) have improved or resolved



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Student/staff member has returned from a location in another country with sustained widespread transmission designated as Travel Warning Level 3	14 calendar days
<u>https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices</u>	
Student/staff member has returned to Chicago and/or suburban Cook County from another state with a high incidence of COVID-19 infection	14 calendar days (recommended
• A 14-calendar day quarantine is currently recommended (not required) for individuals entering the City of Chicago and suburban Cook County, Illinois, from states with high incidence of COVID-19 infections	not required)
Cook County: https://cookcountypublichealth.org/communicable-diseases/covid-19/covid-19-travel-guidance/	
Chicago: <u>https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/covid-19/home/emergency-travel-order.html</u>	