



# CUSD STUDENT COVID-19 EXCLUSION GUIDELINES

Exclude **symptomatic** students who have **ANY ONE** of the following: fever of 100.4 or above, new onset or worsening cough, shortness of breath not attributable to underlying cause (e.g., asthma), diarrhea, vomiting, chills, congestion or runny nose, headache, muscle or body aches, nausea, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat. Students with a licensed healthcare provider documented medical condition may not be excluded if the symptom is related to their condition.

Exclude **asymptomatic** students who have had a **positive COVID-19 test OR live with someone diagnosed with COVID-19.**

Exclude **siblings** of students who have had a **positive COVID-19 test.**

## RETURN TO SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

### Student Has Been Evaluated by Healthcare Provider

#### COVID-19 Testing Results

##### Positive Lab Test

**Symptomatic –**  
Fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medications AND improvement of symptoms AND 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

\*If the date of symptom onset is unknown, then use the date of COVID-19 test collection.

**Asymptomatic –**  
10 days have passed since date of COVID-19 test collection.

\*Extension of isolation is not routinely recommended if an individual is retested within 3 months of onset of symptoms or date of first positive test while asymptomatic.

##### Negative Lab Test

Fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medications AND improvement of symptoms.

#### Non-COVID Diagnosis

Return to school in accordance with the [AZDHS Communicable Disease Resource Guide.](#)

### COVID Symptoms Have Not Been Evaluated by Healthcare Provider

If a student has the following symptoms: diarrhea, vomiting, chills, congestion or runny nose, headache, muscle or body aches, nausea, sore throat, they may return to school when symptoms have resolved within first 24 hours AND have remained gone for 24 hours without the use of medication.

If any symptoms last more than 24 hours students may return to school when fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medications AND improvement of symptoms for at least 24 hours AND 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

If a student has the following symptoms: a fever of 100.4 or above, new onset or worsening cough, shortness of breath not attributable to underlying cause, loss of taste or smell they may return to school when all symptoms have resolved without the use of medication AND 10 days have passed.

A negative lab test is optional in place of 10 days. \*A licensed healthcare provider note is not a substitute for a negative test to return.

\*If students return to school with the same symptoms, they were originally sent home with, they will be required to follow the 10-day exclusion guidelines.

### No Symptoms and Lives with Person Diagnosed with COVID-19 or Primary Exposure

Separate yourself from the ill person. Return to school when 14 days have passed since last exposure AND no symptoms are present.

\*If symptoms develop in the 14-day monitoring period: Stay home AND follow [Maricopa County Home Isolation Guidelines.](#)