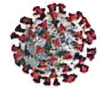


# Meriwether County School District

Every Student Matters, Every Moment Counts



## COVID-19 SCREENING GUIDELINES/DECISION MATRIX 2020-2021

*guidelines are subject to change*

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| <b>1</b> | <p><b>NO DIRECT EXPOSURE* NO SYMPTOMS</b><br/>(No signs of COVID-19 via temp checks, self-reporting, or signs/symptoms)<br/><i>The student/staff will need to come to school or work.</i></p>  |
| <b>2</b> | <p><b>DIRECT EXPOSURE* NO SYMPTOMS</b><br/>(Came in close contact or interacted with a confirmed case of COVID-19 - experiencing <i>no symptoms</i>)<br/><b><u>Student/Staff can return to School or Work after:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• If the student/staff fall into this category and is tested for COVID-19 during the 14 days quarantine period, a negative test would not change or decrease the student/staff quarantine period.</li><li>• If the student/staff test positive it would move them into one of the categories below. The determination is based on if the student/staff develops symptoms or is asymptomatic (no symptom).</li></ul>   |
| <b>3</b> | <p><b>DIAGNOSED WITH COVID-19* NO SYMPTOMS (ASYMPTOMATIC)</b><br/>(Laboratory-confirmed case of COVID-19 but experiencing no symptoms)<br/><b><u>NOT Severely Immunocompromised</u></b><br/><b><u>Student/Staff can return to School or Work after:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• At least 10 days have passed since the positive laboratory test result and student/staff remains asymptomatic</li></ul> <p><b><u>Severely Immunocompromised</u></b><br/><b><u>Student/Staff can return to School or Work after:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• At least 10 days have passed since the positive laboratory test result and student/staff remains asymptomatic</li></ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Student/Staff with no symptoms (asymptomatic) who test positive and later develops symptoms should follow the guidance for a symptomatic person see # 4 and # 5 below.</p>   |
| <b>4</b> | <p><b>DIAGNOSED WITH COVID-19* WITH SYMPTOMS</b><br/>(Symptomatic person with confirmed COVID-19 or suspected COVID-19)<br/><b><u>Mild or Moderate Illness – NOT Severely Immunocompromised</u></b><br/><b><u>Student/Staff can return to School or Work after:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared and at least 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medication AND Symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath) have improved.</li><li>• Who had severe to critical illness (if they were hospitalized for shortness of breath, pneumonia, low oxygen levels, respiratory failure, septic shock, and/or multiple organ - failure)</li></ul> <p><b><u>Severely Immunocompromised</u></b><br/><b><u>Student/Staff can return to School or Work after:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• At least 20 days have passed since symptoms first appeared</li><li>• At least 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath) have improved</li></ul>   |
| <b>5</b> | <p><b>DIRECT EXPOSURE* - AT LEAST 1 SYMPTOM</b><br/>(Came in close contact or interacted with a confirmed case of COVID-19- experiencing at least (1) symptom)<br/><b><u>Mild or Moderate Illness – NOT Severely Immunocompromised</u></b><br/><b><u>Student/Staff can return to School or Work after:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared and at least 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medication AND Symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath) have improved.</li><li>• Who had severe to critical illness (if they were hospitalized for shortness of breath, pneumonia, low oxygen levels, respiratory failure, septic shock, and/or multiple organ - failure)</li></ul> <p><b><u>Severely Immunocompromised</u></b><br/><b><u>Student/Staff can return to School or Work after:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• At least 20 days have passed since symptoms first appeared</li><li>• At least 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath) have improved</li></ul> <p><b><u>Recommendation:</u></b> If the student/Staff is a close contact of a positive case and develops symptoms they should be tested.</p> |