Purpose: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recently updated its quarantine and isolation guidance for COVID-19. This document serves as a tool for Schools and Child Care/Early Education Providers (CC&EE) to implement the updated guidance.

Isolation and Quarantine Tool:

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<td><strong>#1 Negative Screening</strong></td>
<td>Everyone, regardless of vaccination status.</td>
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| **#2 COVID-19 Like Symptoms**    | Everyone, regardless of vaccination status. | • Should be tested for COVID-19 and do not attend school/CC&EE until test results are received.  
  o **Negative test result:** Return to school/CC&EE based on clinical criteria for alternative diagnosis. If no alternative diagnosis is known, return to school/CC&EE 24 hours after symptoms are improved.  
  o **Positive test result:** Follow return to school/CC&EE guidance for scenario #3.  
  • If individual is not tested, they should consult with a physician to rule out COVID-19.  
  • If individual is not tested and has an epidemiological link to a known COVID-19 positive individual, follow return to school/CC&EE guidance for scenario #3. |
| **#3 Tested Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)** | Everyone, regardless of vaccination status. | • Do not attend school/CC&EE and isolate at home for 5 days.  
  • If no symptoms, or symptoms are resolving, after 5 days, isolation is complete and individual can return to school/CC&EE.  
  o If a test is performed on day 5, it is best to use an antigen test. If the test result is positive, individual should |
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<td>#4 Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 &amp; Up-to-Date on COVID-19 Vaccines OR Recent COVID-19 Infection (Close Contact/Quarantine)</td>
<td>If individual: Is aged 18 or older and has received all recommended vaccine doses, including boosters. OR Is aged 5-17 years old and has completed the primary series of COVID-19 vaccines. OR Had confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days (tested positive using an antigen or PCR test).</td>
<td>• Individual can attend school/CC&amp;EE; no quarantine is required. • Individual should wear a mask while at school/CC&amp;EE regardless of the school’s/CC&amp;EE’s current masking policy and outside of the home when around others for 10 days. • Test on day 5, if possible; if individual does not have symptoms while waiting for test results, they are permitted to attend school/CC&amp;EE. o <strong>Negative test result:</strong> Continue to attend school/CC&amp;EE and wear a mask until 10 days is complete. o <strong>Positive test result:</strong> Follow return to school/CC&amp;EE guidance for scenario #3. If individual develops symptoms during quarantine or upon return to school/CC&amp;EE, they should get tested, stay home, be excluded from school/CC&amp;EE, and follow return to school guidance for scenario #2.</td>
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<td>If individual:</td>
<td>• Do not attend school/CC&amp;EE and quarantine at home for 5 days.</td>
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**NOT Up-to-Date on COVID-19 Vaccines** OR **NO Recent COVID-19 Infection** (Close Contact/Quarantine) | Is aged 18 or older and completed the primary series of recommended vaccine, but have NOT received a recommended booster shot when eligible OR Received the single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine (completing the primary series) over 2 months ago and have not received a recommended booster shot. OR Are not vaccinated or have not completed a primary vaccine series. | • If no symptoms after 5 days, quarantine is complete and individual can return to school/CC&EE. • Individual should wear a mask while at school/CC&EE regardless of the school’s/CC&EE’s current masking policy and outside of the home when around others for an additional 5 days.  
  o If unable to wear a mask when around others, individual should quarantine for 10 days. • Test on day 5, if possible; if individual does not have symptoms while waiting for test results, they are permitted to attend school/CC&EE.  
  o **Negative test result:** Attend school/CC&EE and wear a mask for an additional 5 days.  
  o **Positive test result:** Follow return to school/CC&EE guidance for scenario #3. *If individual develops symptoms during quarantine or upon return to school/CC&EE, they should get tested, stay home, be excluded from school/CC&EE, and follow return to school guidance for scenario #2.*

### Notes:
- There is no change to what constitutes “day 1” or how days of quarantine/isolation are counted.
- There is no change to the 48-hour exposure period used to identify individuals exposed/close contacts.