



Klickitat School District #402
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May 12, 2022

Dear School Community:

Children in the 4/5 grade classroom have been identified as a close contact of/exposed to a person who tested positive for COVID-19. The exposure may have occurred on the following date(s): Monday May 9th – Wednesday May 11th.

As of March 12, 2022, individuals who are exposed to COVID are not required to quarantine unless they develop symptoms. If you or your students are immunocompromised, medically fragile, or otherwise at high risk for severe COVID-19, please contact the Klickitat County Health Department or your Health Care Provider. Based on recommendations from the Klickitat County Health Department, **grade 4/5 classroom students will need to be tested by a medical provider or at the school district prior to attending class.** See below for testing information.

View this updated [Decision Tree](#) for information on how to proceed if symptoms develop or the exposed person tests positive.

COVID-19 symptoms may include any of the following:

- **Fever (>100.4) or chills**
- **Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing**
- **Muscle or body aches**
- **New loss of smell or taste**
- **Cough (new, changed, worsening)**
- **Congestion/runny nose**
- **Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea**
- **Headache**
- **Fatigue**
- **Sore throat**

Need to get tested?

Testing will start on Monday, May 16 at 7:15 in the morning at the school office. Local testing locations can be found here: doh.wa.gov/testing.

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If you have further questions about COVID-19, consult your healthcare provider or school at 509-369-4145 or the Washington State Department of Health by visiting doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19.

Sincerely,

Brian Freeman, Superintendent

What to do if a Person is Symptomatic



These recommendations are for K-12 schools, child care, and connected extra-curricular activities.

If a person has one or more of these symptoms:

- ☐ Fever ($\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$) or chills
- ☐ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- ☐ Muscle or body aches
- ☐ New loss of taste or smell
- ☐ Cough (new, changed, or worsening)



They should isolate at home AND get tested for COVID-19

- ☐ Congestion or runny nose
- ☐ Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
- ☐ Headache
- ☐ Fatigue
- ☐ Sore throat



They should isolate at home

Was **only ONE** symptom present?

NO

YES

Did the symptom resolve within 24 hours **OR** are they consistent with a diagnosed chronic illness?

NO

YES

If they do not receive an alternative named diagnosis from a health care provider **OR** do not get tested



They test **POSITIVE** for COVID-19



They test **NEGATIVE** for COVID-19 **OR** receive an alternative named diagnosis from a health care provider plus a negative test

Isolate at home

They can return to school, child care, and activities after five days have passed since symptoms first appeared if:

1. No fever within the past 24 hours (without medication) **AND**
2. Symptoms have significantly improved **AND**
3. Wear a mask around others days 6–10 **OR** test negative with an antigen test to return without a mask

If they cannot wear a mask and do not test negative after day five, they must continue isolating through day 10.

Return to school, child care, and activities if:

1. No fever within the past 24 hours (without medication) **AND**
2. Symptoms have significantly improved

What to do if You Receive an Exposure Notification or are Identified as a Close Contact*



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Regardless of vaccination status, the following guidelines are recommended:

- ☐ Continue to attend school, child care, and activities.
- ☐ Monitor for symptoms for 10 days after exposure.
- ☐ Consider wearing a well-fitting mask for 10 days after exposure.
- ☐ Consider getting tested three to five days after exposure.

