



Quarantine & Isolation Protocol Quick Reference Sheet



What should I do if...	Fully Vaccinated	Not Vaccinated
COVID Positive healthcare provider test, symptoms present (MCSD does not accept home tests)	Isolate for minimum of 10 days, longer if symptoms persist.	Isolate for minimum of 10 days, longer if symptoms persist.
COVID Positive healthcare provider test, NO symptoms present	Isolate for minimum of 10 days from the date of testing	Isolate for minimum of 10 days from the date of testing
Close Contact with a COVID positive person	No quarantine required. Monitor for symptoms for 14 days.	Quarantine for 14 days. School nurses can provide options for a shortened quarantine*
Household close Contact of a COVID positive person	No quarantine required. Monitor for symptoms for 24 days	20 day quarantine if positive person isolates.
Close Contact of a close contact	No quarantine required	No quarantine required

Anyone who is wearing a mask and comes within 3 – 6 feet from a positive case (masked or not masked) do not have to quarantine.

*If a shortened quarantine is chosen, the student must wear a mask at school for the remainder of the 14 days from exposure to a positive case.

Important Definitions

Quarantine: Individuals in quarantine should stay home and avoid contact with other people until the quarantine period is over. This includes members of the household.

Isolation: Someone infected with COVID 19 with or without symptoms, separates from people who are not infected. They must remain at home and avoid contact with other people until their isolation period is over, including members of their household

Close contact: DHEC defines close contacts among students in the school setting as unvaccinated students who were within 3 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24 hour period.

The parent/guardian of any student who has been in close contact with an infected individual will be notified by the school nurse that their student is subject to state-mandated quarantine procedures as outlined above.

For more information, please visit our Safe Return page located on our website (<https://www.marion.k12.sc.us/Page/4185>), and keep up with us and our schools on our social media pages.