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COVID UPDATE – WHEN TO ISOLATE

Symptomatic Individuals

If a student has symptoms of Covid, they should isolate and follow Public Health advice and book a PCR test.

If a student in school develops symptoms, they should be sent home (the school will ring parents) and must follow Public Health advice by isolating and booking a PCR test.

Students and staff who display symptoms or who test positive on an LFD test must isolate and book a confirmatory PCR test and continue to isolate until they receive the PCR result.

If the PCR test is taken within 2 days of the positive LFD test, and is negative, it overrides the LFD test and the individual can return to school, as long as they don't have COVID symptoms.

Where the PCR test is positive, the isolation period includes the day symptoms started (or the day of the test, if the individual doesn't have symptoms) and the next 10 full days.

Household members or Close Contacts

There is no longer a requirement for the other household members or close contacts to also isolate provided that they have each had two COVID vaccines or are under 18 years of age. All household members should still take a PCR test however there is no requirement to isolate whilst awaiting the results

Schools are no longer required to carry out routine contact tracing as close contacts will be identified and contacted by NHS Test and Trace.



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