

COVID-19 Quarantine Calendar Examples (Childcare)

At childcare site, a child or staff member develops one or more COVID-19 symptom(s). After applying appropriate PPE and isolating the individual, they are sent home. Click on the scenarios below⁺ to view more details about quarantine timelines for close contacts.^{**}

Quarantine separates and restricts the movement of people who were exposed to a contagious disease so that they cannot spread the disease to others if they themselves develop the illness.

Scenario 1: The symptomatic individual receives a **NEGATIVE** PCR COVID-19 viral test, OR a **NEGATIVE** Antigen test with a confirmatory **NEGATIVE** PCR COVID-19 viral test. Close contacts do not need to quarantine.

Scenario 2: The symptomatic individual receives a **POSITIVE** PCR COVID-19 viral test OR a **POSITIVE** Antigen COVID-19 viral test OR a negative Antigen test without confirmatory PCR COVID-19 viral test, OR a note from a licensed healthcare provider defines the case as **PRESUMED COVID-19 VIRUS** based on symptoms and circumstances. Close contacts are notified and quarantined for 14 days⁺⁺⁺ from last day of exposure. ^{****}

Scenario 3: The symptomatic individual receives a **POSITIVE** PCR COVID-19 viral test OR a **POSITIVE** Antigen COVID-19 viral test OR a negative Antigen test without confirmatory PCR COVID-19 viral test, OR a note from a licensed healthcare provider defines the case as **PRESUMED COVID-19 VIRUS** based on symptoms and circumstances. Close contacts are notified and quarantined for 14 days⁺⁺⁺ from last day of exposure. ^{****} A close contact in the household (such as a sibling), quarantines. Due to the possibility of re-exposure, quarantine may be extended to 25 days.

⁺These timelines are valid for the assumptions described in each scenario. Altering factors such as when a symptom appears may alter the scenarios and the timelines. These scenarios are intended to be used as examples and are not exhaustive of all possible timelines for quarantine.


^{**}A close contact is a contact with a COVID-19 Patient that occurs anywhere between 48 hours before the COVID-19 Patient's symptoms began (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to test specimen collection), and until the COVID-19 Patient is no longer required to be isolated, and where they: 1. Were within 6 feet of a COVID-19 Patient for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period; or 2. Had unprotected contact with the body fluids and/or secretions (including, but not limited to, being coughed on or sneezed on, sharing utensils, or drinking out of the same container) of a COVID-19 Patient.

⁺⁺⁺Quarantine may end after 10 days if the exposed individual can adhere to wearing a face covering and maintaining physical distance from others through Day 14. Because these conditions are difficult to maintain with in a childcare setting, these institutions should continue adhering to a 14-day quarantine for exposed individuals.

^{****}Vaccinated persons with an exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 are not required to quarantine if they meet all of the following criteria: 1. They are fully vaccinated (i.e., ≥2 weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or ≥2 weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine), 2. They are within 3 months following receipt of the last dose in the series, 3. They have remained asymptomatic since the current COVID-19 exposure. Persons who do not meet all three of the above criteria should continue to follow current quarantine guidance after exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19. View the updated Quarantine order [here](#).





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Scenario 1: The symptomatic individual receives a **NEGATIVE** PCR COVID-19 viral test, or a **NEGATIVE** Antigen test with a confirmatory **NEGATIVE** PCR COVID-19 viral test. Close contacts do not need to quarantine.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 Individual develops symptoms and receives a COVID test later that day 	6	7 Individual obtains a NEGATIVE PCR test result <div style="background-color: #76923C; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Close contacts remain in childcare setting</div>	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31







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Scenario 2: The symptomatic individual receives a **POSITIVE** PCR COVID-19 viral test OR a **POSITIVE** Antigen COVID-19 viral test OR a negative Antigen test without confirmatory PCR COVID-19 viral test, OR a note from a licensed healthcare provider defines the case as **PRESUMED COVID-19 VIRUS** based on symptoms and circumstances. Close contacts are notified and quarantined for 14 days from last day of exposure.




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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 Individual develops symptoms and receives a COVID test later that day (Day 0) 	6 Individual obtains a POSITIVE test result or case is defined as PRESUMPTIVE POSITIVE	7 Close contacts are notified and begin quarantine of 14-days since last exposure to positive case (in this case, the 5 th). 	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
						
18	19	20 <div style="border: 1px solid #92D050; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Close contacts may return to childcare setting on this day (Day 15) if last exposure was the 5th. </div>	21	22	23	24
						
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 Positive individual begins isolation. <hr/> Household member begins quarantine (Day 0)	6	7	8	9	10
		 				
11	12	13	14	15 Positive individual meets criteria to end isolation (Day 10)	16	17
		 				
18	19 Household member ends quarantine (Day 14) if there was no contact between household members. If there was contact, quarantine for an additional 14 days from end of positive individual's isolation.	20	21	22	23	24
						
25	26	27	28	29 (Day 14 from end of positive individual's isolation period)	30 Household member may return to school on this day (Day 25) if there was exposure during quarantine.	31
						

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SCENARIO 	QUARANTINE 	RETURN TO SCHOOL 
<p>Scenario 1: The symptomatic individual receives a NEGATIVE PCR COVID-19 viral test, or a NEGATIVE Antigen test with a confirmatory NEGATIVE PCR COVID-19 viral test. Close contacts do not need to quarantine.</p>	<p>Close contacts do not need to quarantine.</p>	<p>Close contacts remain in childcare.</p>
<p>Scenario 2: The symptomatic individual receives a POSITIVE PCR COVID-19 viral test OR a POSITIVE Antigen COVID-19 viral test OR a negative Antigen test without confirmatory PCR COVID-19 viral test, OR a note from a licensed healthcare provider defines the case as PRESUMED COVID-19 VIRUS based on symptoms and circumstances. Close contacts are notified and quarantined for 14 days from last day of exposure.</p>	<p>Close contacts are notified and quarantine for 14 days from last exposure to confirmed case.</p>	<p>Close contacts quarantine for 14 complete days since last exposure and can return to childcare on the 15th day from last exposure.</p>
<p>Scenario 3: The symptomatic individual receives a POSITIVE PCR COVID-19 viral test OR a POSITIVE Antigen COVID-19 viral test OR a negative Antigen test without confirmatory PCR COVID-19 viral test, OR a note from a licensed healthcare provider defines the case as PRESUMED COVID-19 VIRUS based on symptoms and circumstances. Close contacts are notified and quarantined for 14 days from last day of exposure. A close contact in the household (such as a sibling), quarantines. Due to the possibility of re-exposure, quarantine may be extended to 25 days.</p>	<p>Close contacts quarantine for 14 days from last exposure to confirmed case. Due to the possibility of re-exposure, quarantine may be extended to 25 days.</p>	<p>Close contacts quarantine for 14 complete days since last exposure and can return to childcare on the 15th if they had no contact with the positive case in their household during their quarantine. If there is continued close contact or exposures with the positive case during their quarantine, then the sibling must stay home for an additional 14 days from positive individual's isolation and can return to school on the 25th day.</p>