

A Caring Place Preschool

COVID Quarantine and Isolation Policy Guide

Quarantine

Students must quarantine for **HOUSEHOLD or OUT of SCHOOL EXPOSURE** if they have been within 6 feet of a person with COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period (regardless of mask use) during the 48 hours prior to either the start of infected persons symptoms or the infected persons positive test date.

HOUSEHOLD or OUT of SCHOOL EXPOSURE

- All students must quarantine for 5 days regardless of vaccination status and test on day 5. Day 0 is the day of your last contact with a person who has COVID-19. Return to school occurs on day 6 if return criteria are met.
- If student has ongoing contact with person with COVID-19 (e.g. parents caring for children or siblings) student must stay home in quarantine for 5 days **after** the person with COVID-19 is released from isolation.

Students may end quarantine after **ALL** of the following are true:

- It has been at least 5 full days since the last contact with the person with COVID-19
- Student has had no symptoms during quarantine
- Tested negative on day 5 to return on day 6

If student develops symptoms

Begin **isolation** immediately and get tested. If positive, see isolation guidelines.

IN SCHOOL EXPOSURE

- Students that develop COVID symptoms after **IN SCHOOL EXPOSURE** must test, start isolation and follow return to school criteria for ending isolation.
- **ALL COVID Positive cases** must be reported in a timely manner to the Director.

CLASSROOM QUARENTINE

Classroom quarantine will occur only when a cluster is identified. In the Toddler Too and Montessori 3-6 classes, a cluster is defined as 3 or more confirmed cases in one class grouping within a 14-day period. For the Infant and Toddler Program, a cluster is defined as 2 or more confirmed cases in one class grouping within a 14-day period.

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Isolation

Students must isolate if they have tested positive for COVID-19 or if they have symptoms and unable to test. This is true if you are vaccinated or not. ALL COVID Positive cases must be reported in a timely manner to the Director.

Students must stay home for at least 10 days. Day 0 is the first day your symptoms start or your test specimen was collected.

Students may return to school after ALL of the following are true:

- It has been at least 10 full days since your symptoms started (or since your test date in asymptomatic cases)
- Child has not had a fever for 24 hours without taking fever reducing medications
- Child is symptom free

If child still has a fever or is not symptom free, child may not return to school until all of the above have been met.