**COVID-19 RETURN TO SCHOOL GUIDE FOR STUDENTS AND FACULTY**

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|  | Symptoms | No Symptoms |
| Tested and Negative | May return to school after:   * 24 hours fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medications **AND** * Improvement of symptoms **AND** * If diagnosed with alternative illness, follow the WI Childhood Communicable Diseases chart found [Here](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p4/p44397.pdf) for return to school guidelines. | May continue to attend school.  EXCEPTION: A known close contact (within 6ft of someone with confirmed COVID-19 for more than 15 minutes) must complete 14-day quarantine even if the test results are negative. |
| Tested and Positive | May return to school after:   * At least 10 days have passed from the date symptoms began **AND** * 24 hours fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medications **AND** * Improvement of symptoms. | May return to school after:   * At least 10 days have passed from the date the test was taken   EXCEPTION: If an individual develops symptoms, refer to Symptoms column (isolation time starts on day 1 of symptoms). |
| Not Tested With an Alternate Diagnosis (strep, influenza, etc. as determined by provider) | May return to school after:   * 24 hours fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medications **AND** * Based on diagnosis, follows the WI Childhood Communicable Disease chart [Here](https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p4/p44397.pdf) for return to school guidelines. | N/A |
| Not Tested Without an Alternate Diagnosis Follow COVID-19 Symptom Criteria:   1. Symptom of cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, loss of taste and/or smell. OR 2. Symptoms of fever or chills, muscle aches or body aches, headache, sore throat, fatigue, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea. | May return to school after:   * At least 10 days have passed from the date symptoms began **AND** * 24 hours fever-free without fever reducing medications **AND** * With improvement of symptoms. | N/A |
| Close Contact (within 6ft of someone with confirmed COVID-19 for more than 15 minutes) | Refer to scenarios above.  EXCEPTION: The individual MUST quarantine even if there is an alternate diagnosis for symptoms. | May return to school after:   * At least 14 days have passed from last contact with confirmed COVID-19 person or 14 days from family member’s isolation end date if unable to properly isolate at home AND * If tested, must be negative (if positive, see Tested and Positive above) AND * No symptoms have developed (if symptoms develop, refer to   scenarios above). |



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