

# IN SCHOOL COVID-19 SCREENING / RETURN TO SCHOOL ALGORITHM

Recs as of 08/15/2021.  
Expect changes as emerging data can better guide our response to COVID-19.

All students who present to the nurse's office with any complaints should be screened for exposure to COVID-19 and symptoms of COVID-19 as below.

1. Potential exposure to COVID-19 (if yes- see algorithm for COVID-19 Exposure)
  - a. Any household contacts with COVID-19 in the last 2 weeks?
  - b. Any exposures (with or without a mask) while within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more to anyone with COVID-19? (think through friends, family, anyone at school, coaches, after school activities)
2. Symptoms of COVID-19: fever (subjective or objective of 100 or higher), chills, cough, breathing problems, loss of taste, loss of smell, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, sore throat, headache, muscle aches and congestion/runny nose.

\*\*Any single symptom could be suggestive of COVID-19 EXCEPT runny nose. Runny nose alone is low risk for COVID-19.

\*\*LOSS OF TASTE/SMELL- sensitive indicator of COVID-19 when acute onset, if severe rhinorrhea not present, and if COVID-19 in high prevalence.  
ISOLATE x 10 DAYS regardless of test results.

