Who is a close contact?

The below tool may be used to determine who needs to be quarantined in the event of an student/staff member with COVID-19 or symptoms of COVID-19 in school.

In addition, consider the following:

- Contacts should be identified based on the full contagious period, including 2 days before the sick student/staff member's symptoms started or positive test date, whichever is earlier
- All time-based criteria are cumulative (i.e. 2 x 10 minute exposures in a day is equivalent to one 20 minute exposure)
- It is not developmentally appropriate for young children to remain in their seats throughout a school day, and they may not be able to wear a mask consistently. This may increase the number of contacts associated with a case in younger grade levels.

TARGETED CONTACT IDENTIFICATION CRITERIA

ADMINISTRATIVE CAPACITY



Tracking illness-related



Seating charts available



Seating charts applicable



Plan to work with LPHA to perform contact tracing

MINIMIZING TRANSMISSION RISK



Home symptom screening encouraged



Sick individual masked, except during meals



Extra precautions for meals

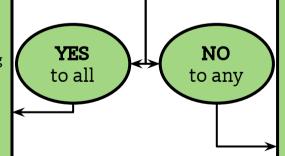


No high risk activities (e.g. singing, wind/brass instruments, vigorous exertion)

TARGETED CONTACT IDENTIFICATION

Any person who meets ANY of the following criteria is a close contact:

- ☐ Were within 6 feet of the individual for 15 minutes or greater, when both parties are masked OR
- Were within 12 feet of the individual for 15 minutes or greater, when either parties is unmasked and indoors (e.g. mealtimes)



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*https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)31142-9/fulltext

ENHANCED CONTACT IDENTIFICATION

Any person who meets ANY of the following criteria is a close contact:

- ☐ Was in a room with the sick individual for 40 minutes* OR
- ☐ Was within 6 feet of the sick individual for 15 minutes, when both parties are masked OR
- Were within 12 feet of the individual for 15 minutes, when either parties is unmasked and indoors (e.g. mealtimes)

*Teachers wearing a KN95 or better and eye protection do not need to quarantine unless they were within 6 ft for 15 minutes of the sick person (or 12 ft for 15 minutes if the sick person was not wearing a mask.)

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