

# When to Keep Your Child Home from School



## CHILD WITH SYMPTOMS:

Keep child with SYMPTOMS at home if experiencing:

Any of the following symptoms:

- Fever (100.0 or higher)
- New or worsened cough
- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Nasal congestion or runny nose

OR

Two or more of the following\*:

- Headache
- Body aches
- New or worsened fatigue
- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea

\*Excludes symptoms due to an alternative diagnosis.

Then,

Contact  
doctor about  
COVID-19  
testing

and:

Child remains at home until the following criteria are met:

Positive	Cleared by the local public health dept
Pending	Until results known
Negative	24+ hours without fever and improved symptoms
Not Tested	10 days after symptom onset and 24+ hours without fever and improved symptoms
Alternative Diagnosis	24+ hours without fever and improved symptoms

**HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS** should also stay home until symptomatic child can return.



## CHILD WITH EXPOSURE:

Keep child with confirmed EXPOSURE to COVID-19 at home.

- Monitor child for symptoms and test only if symptomatic.
- Keep child at home for 14 days since the last known contact.

**HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS** should also stay home until child with exposure can return.