# MCS Student COVID-19 Decision Tree

2021-2022

Students should be kept home from school for the following reasons:

Positive COVID-19 test

## OR

**Preponderance of COVID-19 symptoms** or symptomatic & awaiting test results

## OR

Close contact with confirmed positive COVID-19 case

## **COVID-19 SYMPTOMS**

- Fever (temperature 100.4°F or greater) or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- **Fatigue**
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- **Congestion or runny nose**
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

#### **COVID-19 RESPONSE**

**START** 

Child has received a positive COVID-19 test

YES

For non-school hours, email mcsclinic@Maryville-schools.org.

- Notify your child's school clinic
- Isolate the child at home for 10 days from the onset of symptoms or 10 days from test if asymptomatic
- Must be symptom free for at least 24 hours before returning to school

NO

Child is exhibiting a preponderance of COVID-like symptoms OR Child is symptomatic & awaiting test results

YES

- Notify your child's school clinic
- Consult your healthcare provider for guidance
- Elect for your student to participate in the Maryville City Schools COVID-19 testing program
- Isolate the child at home for 10 days from the onset of symptoms
- The period of isolation can be reduced by doing one of the following:
  - Confirmation from a healthcare provider of an alternate explanation for the symptoms; or
  - Child has documentation of a negative COVID-19 PCR or molecular assay test after the onset of symptoms with no fever & improvement in symptoms for 24 hours

NO

Child has been in close contact\* to someone confirmed to have COVID-19

YES

- Notify your child's school clinic if your child is a Household Contact and quarantine your child for 10 days from the last contact with a positive case
- Non-Household Contact: Health Department recommends quarantining your child for 10 days from the last contact with a positive case
  - Excused absences are provided for families who choose to follow the recommendation and guarantine for Non-Household Contacts
- If symptoms occur, follow the guidance above
- A negative COVID-19 PCR or molecular assay test, administered on Day 6 or later of the guarantine, reduces the 10 day guarantine to 7 days for asymptomatic individuals.
  - Asymptomatic students may participate in the MCS COVID-19 testing program to shorten quarantine by securing an appointment.

\*Students who are fully vaccinated and students who have had COVID-19 within the last 90 days will not be contact traced unless the student becomes symptomatic. Children with second-hand exposure (i.e., exposure to someone who has been in contact with a positive case) may continue to attend school. 9/2/2021

NO

**Child attends** school