

# Student Symptom Decision Tree

Screen all students for potential COVID-19 symptoms or exposure

## Low-risk: general symptoms



Fever ( $\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$ )



Sore throat



Congestion/runny nose



Headache



Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea



Fatigue/muscle or body aches

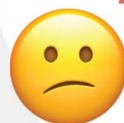
## High-risk: red flag symptoms



Cough



Difficulty breathing



Loss of taste/smell

### Exposure to COVID-19 positive person?

Close contact: less than 6 feet, more than 15 min

**NO**

▶ 1 **low risk** symptom



Send home



Return to school 24 hr after symptom resolution (without fever reducing medication)

▶  $\geq 2$  **low risk** symptoms  
OR 1 **high risk** symptom



Send home



Evaluation by Healthcare Provider

1

Healthcare provider confirms alternative diagnosis for symptoms. A healthcare provider's note must be on file. SARS-CoV-2 PCR test not needed.



Return to school after 24 hours without fever and symptoms improving

2

**Negative** SARS-CoV-2 PCR test



Return to school after 24 hours without fever and symptoms improving

3

**Positive** SARS-CoV-2 PCR test  
OR No provider visit or test



**Return to school only after 10 days since symptom onset, 24 hours without fever, quarantine contacts. If any questions, contact local health provider.**

**YES**



Stay home\*



**Return to school after 14 days from last contact unless symptoms develop. If symptoms develop, perform SARS-CoV-2 PCR test.**

\* In consultation with local health provider

This care pathway was designed to assist school personnel and is not intended to replace the clinician's judgment or establish a protocol for all patients with a particular condition. Diagnosis and treatment should be under the close supervision of a qualified health provider.

Source: Children's Hospital of Orange County, Orange County Health Care Association, and UCI.