



Comsewogue School District COVID-19 and Quarantine Procedures FAQ

Comsewogue Grades 7-12 Quarantine Procedures

Students who are sitting within 6 feet of the positive case, regardless of mask use, will need to be quarantined.

Comsewogue Grades K-6 Quarantine Procedures

Due to the unique nature of our K-6 configuration, all students in the class of the positive case will need to be quarantined.

What Type of Exposure Warrants Quarantining?

If a student was in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, and:

- The person who tested positive was symptomatic, the student must quarantine if their contact was within 48 hours prior to the positive case showing symptoms.
- The person who tested positive did not have symptoms, the student must be quarantined if their contact was within 48 hours prior to the positive case testing positive.

What Does Close Contact Mean?

Close contact means that you were within 6 feet of the person showing symptoms or testing positive for 10 minutes or more. This is the case even if both individuals were wearing masks.

What is Contact Tracing?

Contact tracing is the process of determining who has been exposed to or in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

How Does the District Determine who should be Quarantined?

The district adheres to the local, state and federal health departments' recommendations and guidance to prevent transmission of COVID-19 in our schools. Based on these recommendations:

- If a student tests positive in grades 7-12, contact tracing will begin and all students that were in close contact with the individual will be quarantined for 10 days from the last date of exposure.
- If a student tests positive in grades K-6, the entire class will be quarantined for 10 days from the last date of exposure.

What Should I Do If I Am Quarantined?

If you are quarantined, you need to isolate yourself from others in your household and community for 10 days from the last day of possible exposure. However, you should continue to monitor your symptoms daily for at least 14 days. [Visit this link for further instructions during quarantine.](#)

What If I am Vaccinated?

If you are **fully vaccinated** and asymptomatic, you do not need to quarantine. **Fully vaccinated** means that it has been two weeks since your final dose of the COVID-19 vaccine (2nd dose in a 2-dose series, 1st dose in a single dose series). Please note documentation of the vaccine is required to avoid quarantine.

If you are fully vaccinated and symptomatic, you may not return to work until you are symptom-free for 48 hours.

What If I Already Had and Recovered From COVID-19?

Individuals who have had COVID-19 and are asymptomatic do not need to retest or quarantine for 90 days from laboratory positive test results. No matter what, NEVER come to school with COVID symptoms.

Does the Suffolk County Department of Health Services (SCDHS) Still Require Mandatory Testing for Student Athletes?

Effective April 23, 2021, the SCDHS no longer requires testing for high-risk sports.

Further Information

For further information regarding the prevention of COVID-19 transmission in our schools, please visit the links listed below.

[Suffolk County Department of Health Services COVID-19 Guidance and Isolation Information](#)

[New York State Department of Health Pre-K – Grade 12 COVID-19 Toolkit](#)

[New York State Department of Health Interim Guidance for In-Person Instruction, Pre-K – Grade 12](#)