# **MAPS COVID-19 Return to School Procedure**

# Case Types and Response

## Case Type

#### Symptomatic (with no known exposure)

 The individual is experiencing COVID-19 like symptoms and has not been known to be exposed to someone who has COVID-19

MORE COMMON symptoms: fever greater than 100.4, new onset and/or worsening cough, difficulty breathing, new loss of taste or smell LESS COMMON symptoms: sore throat, nausea,

vomiting, diarrhea, chills, muscle pain, excessive fatigue, new onset of severe headache, new onset of nasal congestion or runny nose

## **Confirmed Positive**

 Received a test stating that the individual has tested positive for COVID-19

#### **Exposed Close Contact**

 Individual is notified that they are a "close contact" to someone who tested positive for COVID-19

- Response
  - If the individual takes a COVID test and the test is negative, the individual can return to school as soon as they feel better.

Household members can return to school as soon at the sick person receives a negative COVID test.

Must show or provide a copy of the negative COVID test to the school in order to return.

- If the individual does not take a COVID test, or the individual takes a COVID test and it is positive, they must self-isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms. After the 10 day isolation period is over, the individual must be fever free for 24 hours without medication *and* symptoms must be improving before returning to school. Household members must also stay home and quarantine for 14 days from start of the sick person's symptoms.
- The individual will self-isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms or after receiving a positive COVID test (whichever comes first).
- After the 10 day isolation period is over, the individual must be fever free for 24 hours without medication *and* symptoms must be improving before returning to school.
- If the individual is considered exposed / "close contact" by MDH, they can return after a 14 day quarantine as long as they did not develop any COVID-19 like symptoms.
- If the individual was diagnosed with COVID-19 within the previous 3 months (90 days) of exposure, they do not need to quarantine.
- If symptoms develop during quarantine, they must wait 10 days after the start of symptoms and be fever free for 24 hours without medication *and* symptoms must be improving before returning to school.
- It is recommended that the individual get tested 5-7 days after exposure, but still cannot return until the 14 day quarantine is complete.