

COVID-19 FAQs:

School District of Indian River County



1. How long is my child required to quarantine if they test positive for COVID-19?
 - **10 days returning on the 11th day unless you submit proof of a negative diagnostic test prior to the 11th day.**
2. What is the quarantine period after being identified as a close contact to someone who has tested positive?
 - **7 days returning on the 8th or proof of a negative test from day 5 and beyond.**
3. If my child has COVID-19, can they return to school once they test negative if before 10 days?
 - **YES, they can return prior to 10 days with proof of a negative diagnostic test after testing positive.**
4. Can my child return to school after they have tested negative on an at-home test?
 - **No. Per the DOH RULE, it must be a diagnostic COVID-19 test (Rapid, PCR, or Antigen completed by a health care provider) to return to school before specified quarantine days.**
5. When is an at-home test accepted by the district?
 - **If you initially test positive with an AT HOME test, absences will be excused for 10 days, and student will receive work to complete at home.**
6. If my child is fully vaccinated and identified as a close contact, do they have to quarantine?
 - **If vaccinated and without symptoms after exposure- you do not have to quarantine as a close contact. If vaccinated and you test positive- 10 days, returning on 11th, or proof of a negative diagnostic test prior to the 11th day.**
7. Who do I report a positive at-home COVID test to? **Call your school**
8. Will my child be excused from school when we report an at-home test to the school? **YES**
9. How long should my child quarantine from a community exposure the school and/or Health Department isn't aware of?
 - **From the date of exposure-7 days returning on 8th or proof of a negative diagnostic test on day 5 and beyond.**
10. Can my child return to school while awaiting test results?
 - **No. Please keep students home until test results are available.**
11. If my child is quarantined, how do I get their classwork?
 - **Check CANVAS or reach out to their teacher or school administration.**

For questions regarding case investigations, contact tracing, and quarantines, please contact the local Department of Health. The SDIRC supports, however, does not make decisions regarding these topics.