Bellefonte Area School District COVID-19 Quarantine Recommendations

(Updated 12/7/2020)

COVID-19 Symptoms

One of the following symptoms:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- New loss of smell without congestion (olfactory disorder)
- New loss of taste without congestion

Two of the following symptoms:

- Fever
- Chills
- Rigor (shaking or trembling as caused by a chill)
- Muscle pain (myalgia)
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Fatigue
- Runny nose or congestion

Testing for COVID-19 is recommended.

- If the test is negative your student may return to school 3 days after symptoms are no longer present.
- If the test is positive, please have your health care provider supply a note as to when your student may return to school.
- If your health care provider does not provide documentation or you do not get tested, your student may return **after**:
 - ★ 10 days since symptoms first appeared <u>and</u>
 - ★ 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication <u>and</u>
 - **★** improvement in symptoms

	With Symptoms	Without Symptoms
Positive COVID-19 Test	May return to school ★ 10 days since symptoms first appeared <u>and</u> ★ 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication <u>and</u> ★ Improvement in symptoms	May return to school 10 days after test was collected If symptoms develop during the 10 days, follow return to school guidance for a positive test with symptoms, i.e., return to school 10 days since symptoms appeared (as at left).
Contact with person with positive test for more than 15 minutes	Individuals should be tested for COVID-19. If the test is negative, return to school following quarantine after last exposure to the person with COVID-19 and symptoms have resolved as at right. If the test result is positive, follow return to school guidance for positive test with symptoms as above.	Close-contacts: following most recent date of exposure to the positive individual, individuals should: • Quarantine for 14 days or, • Quarantine for 10 days without testing* or, • Quarantine for 7 days with a negative test taken on or after day 5 of quarantine. Household contacts isolate for ten days/until positive individual is symptom-free without medication and then commence quarantine as outlined above. If symptoms develop during quarantine, follow return to school guidance for close contact with symptoms, i.e., return to school 10 days since symptoms appeared/symptoms have resolved if longer than 10 days.
Travel Out of PA: https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coro navirus/Pages/Travelers.aspx	Quarantine per Positive COVID-19 test above.	Travelers over 11 years of age are required to: • Produce evidence of a negative COVID-19 test or, • Quarantine for 10 days without testing* or, • Quarantine for 7 days with a negative test taken on or after day 5 of quarantine. If someone cannot get a test or chooses not to, they must quarantine for 10 days upon arrival in Pennsylvania.

^{*} Per PAHAN-538, 10 day quarantine without testing requires **ONGOING MONITORING FOR SYMPTOMS** per list above. https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/Documents/HAN/2020-PAHAN-538-12-4-ALT%20-%20Updated%20Quarantine%20Recommendations%20for%20Persons%20Exposed%20to%20COVID-19.pdf