

COVID-19 Response Information

This information is subject to change based on new information and updates from KDHE and SCHD.

CONFIRMED CASE

When an individual tests positive for COVID-19

The individual must isolate at home for a minimum of 10 days from when symptoms started or from the date of their test (if no symptoms are present). The individual must be free of fever (100.4°F or greater) and cough for 72 hours.

Health staff will notify the Sedgwick County Health Department (SCHD) of the positive case. A notification will be sent to parents of students at the building.

CONTACT TRACING PROCESS

While contact tracing will not occur, parents will be notified if their student was in the same class or on the same team as a positive case. School notifications will also go to parents.

EXPERIENCING COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

SICK OR COVID SYMPTOMS AT HOME

If the individual is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, but has not been confirmed positive or negative for COVID-19, he/she should stay home. Call the health staff at your school for further directions.

SICK OR COVID SYMPTOMS AT SCHOOL

If the individual is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms at school, the school nurse or health aide will evaluate the ill student or staff member. If deemed necessary, the ill person will remain in the isolation space while they are in the building.

The health staff will talk with parents about the student's symptoms and COVID testing. Each school has testing available and permission forms are available online. Testing is also available for staff.

If testing at school is declined, individuals are to remain in isolation for 10 days (must be free of cough and fever for 72 hours). Testing may be completed elsewhere.

EXPERIENCING COVID-19 SYMPTOMS

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If a negative PCR test is received and the student/staff member has been fever-free for 24 hours without medication and their cough is improved.

ALTERNATE DIAGNOSIS

If a healthcare provider diagnoses the individual with something other than COVID-19, they may return to school with a note from their provider. The student or staff member will be required to follow protocol for the specific illness. The person should be 24 hours fever-free without medication.

FOR TRAVEL RELATED QUARANTINE, PLEASE VISIT KDHE

<https://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/175/Travel-Exposure-Related-Isolation-Quaran>

HOUSEHOLD CONTACT

Individual lives in the same house as a positive case.

If a student or staff member is a household contact of a positive case, they must quarantine for 10 days following the day the positive case is released from isolation. This could be up to 20 days in total or more (10-day isolation + 10-day quarantine).

During the quarantine period, the close contact will be able to test on day 6. If the PCR is negative, they may return to school on day 8* of quarantine.

If the positive household member is truly able to isolate from the student/staff member, the student/staff member will be able to begin their quarantine period beginning the day after their last day of contact. This will shorten the time away from school.

*Close contacts may return on this day if they have remained asymptomatic throughout the quarantine period.