

# School Covid-19 Reporting

## Clackamas County Schools Covid-19 reporting process updated 3/30/22, changes effective the week of 4/3/22.

On 3/12/22, Oregon lifted the mask mandate and paused quarantine and contact tracing for K-12 schools. With this change quickly identifying/excluding cases and keeping the community informed of any increased risk are the primary focus of mitigating the spread of COVID-19 in schools.

### Reporting process for Clackamas County Schools:

#### Weekly Covid-19 School Survey:

- By the end of the day each Wednesday, fill out the [Weekly Covid-19 School Survey](#) with numbers from the previous week.
- Submit one survey for each individual school.
- Please report ALL cases of COVID-19 among students and staff that your school is aware of, regardless of if they participated in school activities during their infectious period.

#### Cohort Notifications:

When sending cohort notifications, please blind copy (Bcc) [ph-c19schoolreporting@clackamas.us](mailto:ph-c19schoolreporting@clackamas.us) on the notification emails.

#### Reporting cases and outbreaks:

- Please report in real time when two or more cases are discovered within a cohort, classroom, or sports team and whose symptom(s) onsets (or positive test collection dates) within 14 days of each other.
- Each affected cohort should be reported by completing the *Cohort Cluster Reporting Form*, that can be found on our [school resources page](#), and emailing it to your districts outbreak investigator with [PH-PHOBTEAM@Clackamas.us](mailto:PH-PHOBTEAM@Clackamas.us) in cc.
- **NOTE:** When there is a suspected outbreak, CCPH may request additional information about a specific case or cases.

#### Where to direct COVID-19 cases for resources and self-reporting:

- [Did you test positive for COVID-19 website: Click "Take Our Survey"](#)
- The Oregon Health Authority's COVID-19 Case Support Hotline: 866-917-8881

### What to expect from Clackamas County Public Health:

- Flyer with COVID-19 resources for those who need support while isolating or have questions/concerns about quarantine.
- Outbreak management communications and feedback/recommendations on infection control and mitigation strategies.
- Guidance on presumptive case status, exclusions, and isolation.
- Wraparound services for students and staff impacted by COVID-19.

### When to exclude, test, and notify:

**Exclusion:** Cases and symptomatic individuals should be excluded from school following OHA's [Isolation and Exclusion Guidelines for K-12 Settings](#). This document also covers common situations when isolation is required and the criteria to return when it is not. Additional information on exclusion and isolation can be found in ODE's [Ready Schools, Safe Learners Resiliency Framework](#).

**Isolation:** Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 or who are identified as a presumptive case by Public Health must isolate for the first 5 days of this period then need to wear a well-fitting face covering for days 6-10 following symptom onset (or date of positive test collection if they have no symptoms).

**Testing:** It is recommended that individuals seek testing, regardless of vaccination status, if they:

- Have symptoms of COVID-19 **OR**
- Have recently been exposed to someone with COVID-19
  - The best time to be tested is 5-7 days after your last exposure, if you have no symptoms.
  - If you are experiencing symptoms after your exposure, you should test as soon as you are able.

Test to Stay Enhanced Exposure Testing has replaced Test to Stay. This program provides optional testing only to cohorts that include individuals at increased risk of severe disease (see [COVID-19 Testing in Oregon's K-12 Schools](#)). Participation in this program is not required for continued school attendance.

**Notifications:** When a school-related exposure—on or off campus—is identified, the school should notify the affected cohort(s) and blind-copy CCPH (see below). This may include sports teams, band groups, classroom, lunch groups, or otherwise. If external cohorts such as a sports team or academic conference has been exposed, that school/facility should be notified of their cohort's exposure. (Link to sample cohort notification)