

St. Vincent School COVID – 19 Updates & Reminders

**If a St. Vincent student is symptomatic please have them stay home, get a negative covid test, or a doctor's note clearing them to return to school. Siblings do not need to stay home unless they have symptoms or your family has had a known covid exposure.

**Home Covid test results are not allowed as a confirmed test result. Please go to ACHD website to find a testing site: <https://www.allencountyhealth.com/get-tested/>

**We cannot accept antibodies test as proof of being positive for covid.

**If a student tests positive please use the covid reporting portal on our school website:
<https://www.school.saintv.org/covid>

**If a parent is symptomatic and getting tested, please keep your child(ren) home until the parent's test results are known.

**If a parent is positive or a student was in direct contact with a known positive covid case outside of school please call attendance or email the school nurse. There is not a reporting tab for that on our website.

SCREENING AND ISOLATION FOR SYMPTOMS:

While we understand that the following symptoms are commonly associated with other illnesses, we cannot assume they are not the result of Covid. Students should be screened at home each morning, and should NOT report to school if they have any of the following symptoms:

Fever (100.0 or higher) and/or chills
Cough
Shortness of Breath / Difficulty Breathing
Headache – New Onset
Loss of Taste and/or Smell
Sore Throat
Nausea or Vomiting
Diarrhea or Abdominal Pain

If students have multiple symptoms including the above and/or below, then they should stay home.

Runny Nose
Congestion
Muscle Pain
Mild Headache
Fatigue

*If a student provides a negative COVID test, or a doctor note has eliminated COVID as the cause of the symptoms, then the student may return to school when feeling well enough to return AND be fever, diarrhea, and vomit free for 24 hours without medication.

*If a student tests positive they must be isolated from others in the household for 10 days from the start of symptoms before they may return to school.

CLOSE CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WHO HAS TESTED POSITIVE:

If a student is determined to have had close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID, then the student must quarantine for 14 days. Even if the student who is in close contact tests negative, he/she must complete the entire quarantine period. If the student has been vaccinated and has NO symptoms, then he/she may return to school upon verification of vaccination. They must wear a mask for the full 14-day quarantine, unless they choose to test on days 3-5 with a pcr test, if negative then they will no longer need to wear a mask but must continue to self-monitor for symptoms during the full quarantine timeframe.

CLOSE CONTACT IS DEFINED AS:

Being within 6 feet of someone who has COVID 19 for a CUMULATIVE time of 15 minutes or more in a 24-hour period;

Providing care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19;

Anyone who shared eating or drinking utensils;

Being around anyone with COVID-19 who sneezed, coughed, or somehow got respirator droplets on another;

Anyone who lives or stayed overnight for at least one night in a household with the infected person while he/she was infectious.

RETURN TO SCHOOL & ACTIVITIES:

Students should only return to school after completion of their isolation/quarantine if their symptoms have subsided and they have been fever, diarrhea, and vomit free (without the use of medication) for 24 hours.

Quarantined student athletes may not participate until the end of their 14-day quarantine.

Please know that these guidelines are subject to change depending on ACHD and IDOH guidance for our community.