

Buffalo Public Schools Isolation and Quarantine Procedures

Updated Draft as of 1/13/22 (Please know that the contents of this flow chart may be updated as information from either the CDC, NYSDOH, and/or the ECDOH changes). All updates will be shared as they become known.

**You Test
POSITIVE**



Isolate and **report your positive case** to Erie County Department of Health (ECDOH) by clicking the form to report your at-home test results at:
<http://www.erie.gov/hometestreport>

MUST DO'S:

- Stay home for at least 5 days (day 0 through day 5. Day 0 is the date of the test **or** first day of symptoms).
- May return after 5 days if:
 - Fever free for 24 hours without Medication AND
 - No Productive Cough
 - No Runny Nose

**You test NEGATIVE, but you
have COVID Symptoms**



You **may** have COVID or another illness.

MUST DO'S:

- Return after 5 days if:
 - Fever free for 24 hours without medication **AND**
 - Symptom free or symptoms are very mild.
- May return EARLIER if:
 - Fever free for 24 hours without Medication AND
 - No Productive Cough
 - No Runny Nose
 - Your negative test was a PCR or rapid test completed at a laboratory **OR** you get a doctor's note.

You are a Close Contact



Close Contacts: Students, teachers, and staff who come into close contact with someone with COVID-19 should quarantine for at least 5 days (day 0 through day 5, return on Day 6) after their last close contact with a person who has COVID-19 if they are in one of the following groups (Day 0 is the date of the test or first day of symptoms):

- Those who are not vaccinated or have not completed a primary vaccine series.
- Fully vaccinated individuals experiencing symptoms (fever over 100.0, chills, cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, muscle/body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion/runny nose, nausea or vomiting, or diarrhea)

Documentation for quarantined individuals can be found on the Erie County website [here](#). Please call the ECDOH at (716) 858-6669 ext. 013 if you have questions regarding isolation.

Continue to practice masking, social distancing, and good handwashing. For more information on vaccination locations visit:
<https://www3.erie.gov/covid/vax-calendar>