

Mission:

To protect, promote & improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county & community efforts.



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Vision: To be the Healthiest State in the Nation

Dear Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) of Student's Name

The Florida Department of Health in Nassau County (DOH-Nassau) has been informed that your child who attends Student's School was in close contact with a COVID-19 case. A close contact is anyone who was within six feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more. An infected person can spread COVID-19 starting from 48 hours before the person has any symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19. Your child's last date of close contact with the case was date.

Your child will need to quarantine at home and may return to school on date if they test negative for COVID-19 on Day 5 of quarantine, which is, date, with a diagnostic test that has received Emergency Use Authorization or full approval by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and is used in the same manner specified by FDA's authorization or approval, OR he or she will need to quarantine at home for 7 days and may return to school on date if they do not seek COVID-19 testing. Please monitor your child for any [symptoms of COVID-19](#). If you notice any symptoms, contact your child's pediatrician immediately for further evaluation and testing.

COVID-19 is a respiratory illness spread mainly from person-to-person through respiratory droplets which are produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, or talks. These droplets can land in the mouths and noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs. COVID-19 may be spread by people who are not showing symptoms which is why keeping exposed individuals separated from others is important.

Symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after exposure to the virus. The [most common symptoms](#) associated with COVID-19 are fever, cough and difficulty breathing. If symptoms develop in your child, seek medical care and get tested.

The best way to prevent illness is by limiting exposure to the virus.

- Maintain physical distance of at least 6 feet from others.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face covering when around others.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Routinely clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.

If you have any questions, please call the Florida Department of Health in Nassau County at 904-875-6100. More information about COVID-19 is available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on its website www.cdc.gov/covid19.

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