

2021-22 AVU Protocols for COVID-19 in a School/Classroom

(If you are feeling ill or if you have any cold or flu-like symptoms, please stay home.)

	Scenario	Action	Communication
1	A student/staff member either exhibits COVID-19 symptoms , answers yes to a health screening question or has a temp of 100 or above	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students/staff are sent home. Student/staff contact healthcare providers for assessment. Student/staff may return after being symptom free for 24 hours and cleared by their physician or test negative with an antigen test. Student/staff advised to take a PCR test through their physician's office. Schools will remain open. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action is needed.
2	An unvaccinated asymptomatic student/staff member who has close contact with a COVID-19 positive case outside of school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student/staff report information to administrator. Student/staff advised to get tested 3-5 days after exposure. The unvaccinated student/staff member is sent home and may return after 10 day quarantine. Schools will remain open. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action is needed.
3	A vaccinated student/staff is in close contact with a COVID-19 positive case outside of school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students/staff report information to administrator. Student/staff are advised to get tested. Public Health recommends COVID-19 testing 3-5 days after exposure. If vaccinated student/vaccinated staff is asymptomatic, they may choose to quarantine, but no quarantine period is necessary. If a vaccinated student/staff is symptomatic, the student/staff is sent home and may return after a 10 day quarantine. Schools will remain open. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No action is needed.
4	An unvaccinated student/staff member is a close contact in a school setting, mask on mask, and is asymptomatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close contacts (students/staff) may be placed on modified quarantine. Public Health will be consulted and contacted for more information (707) 472-2759. Schools will remain open. 	<p>To: Student Families and Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Square message or letter sent to all families in contact with the staff and/or student.
5	A student/staff member tests positive for COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student/staff report information to administrator. Covid positive student/staff is placed in isolation for 10 days. Covid positive students are placed on short-term independent study through their isolation period. Public Health will be consulted and contacted for more information (707) 472-2759. Student/staff may return to school when cleared by Public Health. Schools will remain open. 	<p>To: Student Families and Staff</p> <p>Parent Square message or letter sent to all families in contact with the staff and/or student.</p>
6	Three or more students who are epi-linked in one classroom test positive for COVID-19 within a two-week period constitutes an "outbreak"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health contacted. Student/staff will undergo testing twice a week throughout the two rounds of negative testing. All students who test positive in the infected classroom are placed in isolation and on short-term independent study. Close contact unvaccinated students will be placed on modified quarantine. Schools will remain open. 	<p>To: Student Families and Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Square message or letter sent to all families in contact with the staff and/or student.
7	Three or more epi-linked outbreaks in one school test positive for COVID-19 within a two-week period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health contacted. Student/staff will undergo testing twice a week for the two rounds of negative testing. Infected students are placed in isolation and on independent study. 	<p>To: Student Families and Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Square message or letter sent to all families in

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8	Three or more staff members who are epi-linked at one school test positive for COVID-19 within a two-week period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health contacted. Student/staff will undergo testing twice a week for two rounds of negative testing. Infected staff are placed in isolation. Close contact unvaccinated students/staff will be placed on modified quarantine. Schools will remain open. 	To: Student Families and Staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Square message or letter sent to all families in contact with the staff and/or student.

NOTE: THE DISTRICT TESTING PLAN THROUGH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IS ON-BOARDING. UNTIL IT IS IN PLACE, STUDENTS AND STAFF WILL BE REFERRED TO PUBLIC TESTING SITES FOR TESTING.

DEFINITIONS

Pool Testing: *The entire class is tested weekly and all samples tested as a group. If a positive result is received for the “pool”, the entire class will be individually retested and any positive cases sent home. The remaining class members continue to come to school in a modified quarantine and will be tested twice weekly.*

Close Contact is a person who has had contact with a COVID-19 positive person for 15 minutes or more cumulatively over a 24 hour period, within less than 6 feet distance masked or unmasked.

Epi-linked means that individuals infected with COVID-19 are epidemiologically linked in their transmission. This means they had contact with one or more of the same people who are also COVID-19 positive.

Isolation only pertains to individuals who test positive for COVID-19 regardless of vaccination status:

- This is usually a 10 day period.
- The infected individual stays in a space away from others.
- The infected individual is not permitted on any school campuses until after the isolation period has expired **AND** the individual is symptom free **AND** the individual is released from Public Health.

Mask on Mask means that the contact and case were both wearing a mask during exposure.

Modified Quarantine only pertains to unvaccinated individuals who have had close contact at school:

- This is a 10 day period.
- Students continue to attend in-person instruction.
- Students are tested twice a week at school for two school weeks (10 days).
 - If a student tests positive, they are moved into isolation and transferred to independent study for 10 days from the day they tested positive.
- Students are not able to participate in any extracurricular activities (athletics, cheer, clubs, etc.) for the duration of the modified quarantine period regardless of test results.

COVID-19 Action Plan

Moving to Independent Study or Remote Learning

- Should any AVU school or classroom require closure due to COVID-19 as recommended by the Mendocino County Public Health Officer, AVU will move students to independent study or remote learning to continue educational delivery.

- Within the first 30 days of school, all AVU students will be assigned a Chromebook for the 2021-22 school year.
- All teachers will work with their students and their families to prepare for a potential closure.
- Google Classroom will be the primary delivery platform.
- Students will be trained on how to access their online educational accounts.
 - Families will be notified via Parent Square of the number of positive COVID-19 cases in their student's school.
 - AVU Administration will issue a warning should the number of cases rise to a level that threatens a potential school or classroom closure.
 - Students and families will have a minimum of one school day to collect materials before moving to remote learning.
 - AVU will notify families of any school closure through Parent Square. This notification will also be placed on the AVU social media pages as well.