



LEXINGTON LATIN SCHOOL

Modified Covid Exposure Mitigation Plan

If your student is identified as a close contact of someone who has Covid (in school or at home), you will receive an individual call and a subsequent email with instructions to contact Dr. Nickell by email to discuss the best option for your student to return to school as soon as possible. Your student must stay home until you have completed the email interview and an option has been selected. The options available to you will depend on several factors including how recent the contact was, vaccination status, willingness to test, recent Covid infection, and the presence of Covid-positive family members.

1. "Test to stay"

Students/staff who are identified as a close contact and are symptom free may continue to attend school with negative rapid test before initial return to school (Monday evening) and two subsequent negative tests (Tuesday and Wednesday evening). Affected students/staff who are involved in extra-curricular activities may be asked to test the night before those events.

2. 7-day quarantine

Students/staff who remain symptom free may return to school 7 days post contact with a negative rapid test on day 5 or 6 (one test).

3. 10-day quarantine

Students/staff who remain symptom free may return to school on day 10 post contact (no test).

4. 14-day quarantine

Students/staff who remain symptom free may return to school on day 14 post contact. This is recommended if there are high risk individuals in the household. Testing is recommended but not required.

5. Vaccinated

Students/staff who are fully vaccinated and remain symptom free may return to school. Testing is recommended but not required.

6. Prior positive Covid test or diagnosis

Students/staff who remain symptom free and provide documentation of prior covid diagnosis within 90 days of current contact, may return to school. The Covid diagnosis may not have occurred within the 14 days prior to the contact. Testing is recommended but not required.

Testing

Please note that you may choose either the one-hour rapid test administered by a local health care facility/ pharmacy OR an approved at-home rapid test (such as BinaxNow). PCR tests and 24-hour rapid tests do not provide results fast enough for the purposes of determining if your student may return to school the next day. Rapid test results must be emailed to Dr. Nickell no later than 8pm the night before the student/staff member will be released to come on campus. You will receive an email in return releasing the student/staff member to attend school the following day.

How we determine close contact

We may use class lists, seating charts and self-reports to determine a close contact. Close contact is defined as less than 3 feet (if between kids) or less than 6 feet (if involving an adult) for more than 15 minutes cumulative within 24 hours when one of the individuals has tested positive or is a probable positive (symptoms).

Case reporting

We will periodically post updated case information to our school website. To date, we have no evidence that covid transmission has occurred on either campus.