



## SYMPTOM SCREENING GUIDELINES

Please check for your students for any of these symptoms *each morning* before sending them to school.

- Temperature of 100.4 or higher
- Sore throat
- New or uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty in breathing
- Diarrhea, vomiting or abdominal pain
- Onset of severe headache, especially with a fever

If your student has any of these symptoms, please keep them at home. Your student can return to campus when they have been **symptom and fever-free for 24 hours** without the use of fever-reducing medication, per CDC guidance.

Please contact Mrs. Mallick if your student has been in quarantine to complete screening before returning to school at [mallickt@rbc.org](mailto:mallickt@rbc.org) or 850.279.6803

If your student has been exposed to a **COVID-19 positive case** (exposure is close contact of 6 feet or less for 15 minutes or more within a 24-hour period regardless of mask usage), your student should seek evaluation by a health care provider before returning to campus and:

### Asymptomatic students may return to campus:

- Without testing, after quarantining for 10 days (returning on the 11<sup>th</sup> day) after their last contact with COVID-19 positive case
- OR**
- With a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test on Day 5 or later with a negative result, they may end quarantine after completion of Day 7 and return on Day 8.
  - **In both scenarios above**, individuals are counseled to adhere strictly to public health mitigation through Day 14, including correct and consistent use of a face mask, social distancing, hand hygiene, avoiding close contact and crowds, and self-monitoring for symptoms.

### Symptomatic students may return to campus:

- After at least 10 days have passed since symptom onset

If your student has tested **positive for COVID-19**, they must meet all 3 of the criteria below in order to return to campus *in addition* to the school medical screening with Mrs. Mallick:

- At least 10 days have passed since symptom onset (20 days if symptoms are severe)
- At least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications
- Other symptoms have improved

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Rocky Bayou Christian School reserves the right to ask any student, visitor, or staff member to leave campus if symptoms of illness are displayed.

#### When a Student/Staff Displays Symptoms on Campus

- All RBCS students and employees will be required to self-report to the School Medical Resource Technician if they test positive for COVID-19.
- If a student or employee becomes ill while on campus, they will be directed to the School Medical Resource Technician for further evaluation. If there is a pre-existing condition on file that explains the symptoms, the student will be returned to the classroom after a cursory exam by the Medical Resource Technician has been performed and the student has been cleared.
- If COVID-19 symptoms are present, with or without fever, the Medical Resource Technician will accompany the individual to an isolation area until a parent is able to come pick them up.
- Upon discovering that an employee or student has tested positive, RBCS will contact the county Health officials as necessary for reporting, contact tracing, and instructions.
- RBCS will determine a plan of action for the infected individual and any other individuals who had been in contact with that person. Said plan will be based on direction from the County Health Department, proximity to and the duration of time that the infected individual spent with other people, and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Florida Department of Health guidelines.

#### If your student is in class with a person who contracts COVID-19

- **You will receive a phone call and email** from the Principal in the event that your student has been close enough to the individual to warrant possible Quarantine or Isolation.
- **The Departmental Administrator will send out an email** stating which sections or students and staff **are not** affected and **did not** come in contact with the infected person.

#### Close Contact is defined as:

- Being within 6 feet or less of someone who has COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more within a 24-hour period, regardless of mask usage
- Providing care at home to someone who is sick with COVID-19
- Direct physical contact with the person (touched, hugged, or kissed them)
- Sharing eating or drinking utensils
- Directly exposed to respiratory droplets

The **Symptom Screening** guidelines are in place to provide quick and easy answers to the question concerning when a student or staff member may return to campus.

[COVID-19 testing locations](#)

[CDC website with updated symptom list](#)