

REVISED QUARANTINE OPTIONS

DHEC recently released updated guidance for determining close contacts in the school setting. Below are several illustrations that show different scenarios and identifies which students are and are not considered close contacts.

LSC has now moved towards a more socially distanced classroom environment with individual desks spread 3 feet apart. With future Covid positive cases in a socially distanced environment, unless scholars are wearing masks, if they are within six feet of someone who tests positive, they are considered a close contact and will be subject to a quarantine period.

5 Days: The shortest quarantine for scholars possible who have either tested positive OR designated a close contact is 5 days and may return with negative PCR test results/symptom-free (including fever-free without fever-reducing medication **for at least 24 hours**), and wear a mask through day 10.

10 Days: Scholars may return after a full 10 day quarantine period with no additional requirements.

**Individual cases may warrant additional exclusions that can only be approved by Nurse Katy in collaboration with the Covid Council.

Exclusion: If a close contact is fully vaccinated or has been infected with COVID-19 in the previous 90 days, they do not have to quarantine for any length of time. **We recommend getting** tested on Day 4 even if they do not have symptoms, and they must wear a mask for 10 days.

Covid test results and vaccine cards can be emailed to covid@libertysteamcharter.org

For this reason, we are asking all scholars who are able, to wear a mask while at school. Masks are readily available at school for any scholar needing one. This will help decrease the number of close contacts in the event that a student tests positive as well as protect against the spread of Covid and, therefore, keep more scholars at school for in-person instruction 5 days a week.

ALL COVID-RELATED QUESTIONS/CASES MUST BE DIRECTED TO NURSE KATY!

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