

Failed Screening- Child/Staff has a symptom of COVID-19

If they think they have a cold or the flu, they should still talk with a doctor or get tested. Symptoms are similar to COVID-19.

Siblings or other people they live with

They should stay at home until you test negative, are cleared by your local public health unit, or are diagnosed with another illness.

Going to school/child care again

Not sure about returning? Talk with a health care provider.

If you test negative (you do not have the virus)

You can return to school/child care if **ALL** the following apply:

- you do not have a fever (without using medication)
- it has been at least 24 hours since your symptoms started improving
- you were not in close physical contact with someone who currently has COVID-19

If you test positive (you have the virus)

You can return to school/child care only when you are cleared by your local public health unit.

If you do not get tested

You must isolate for 10 days. You may be able to return earlier if **all** the following apply:

- a doctor diagnosed you with another illness
- you do not have a fever (without using medication)
- it has been at least 24 hours since your symptoms started improving

If you do not talk with a doctor

You must isolate for 10 days. After the 10 days, you can return only when **all** the following apply:

- you do not have a fever (without using medication)
- it has been at least 24 hours since your symptoms started improving

Tip Sheet - Screening Fails (Household member has symptom)

Feb 22, 2021

What to do if a child fails the screening as of Feb 22, 2021

Household members:

They should stay at home until the student/child showing symptoms tests negative, is cleared by your local public health unit, or is diagnosed with another illness.

Going to school/child care again

Not sure about returning? Talk with a health care provider.

If they test negative (they do not have the virus)

They can return to school/child care if **all** the following apply:

- they do not have a fever (without using medication)
- it has been at least 24 hours since their symptoms started improving
- they were not in close physical contact with someone who currently has COVID-19

If they test positive (they have the virus)

They can return to school/child care only when they are cleared by your local public health unit.

If they do not get tested

They must isolate for 10 days. They may be able to return earlier if **all** the following apply:

- a doctor diagnosed them with another illness
- they do not have a fever (without using medication)
- it has been at least 24 hours since their symptoms started improving

(All household members/siblings should also not attend for the 10 days unless **ALL above apply**)

If they do not talk with a doctor

They must isolate for 10 days. After the 10 days, they can return only when **all** the following apply:

- they do not have a fever (without using medication)
- it has been at least 24 hours since their symptoms started improving