



What to do when your child is sent home from school due to illness

KNOW THE SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea



CONSIDER GETTING A COVID-19 TEST DONE

To find the closest testing site near you, visit www.michigan.gov/coronavirustest. You may want to call the testing location you found to verify the times and if you need to schedule an appointment.

CALL YOUR LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Allegan County Health Department COVID-19 Hotline: 269-686-4546
operates Monday-Friday from 8am to 5pm

WHEN CAN MY CHILD GO BACK TO SCHOOL?

If your child got a COVID-19 test, they should not return to school until their results are received.

If positive: home isolation until

- At least 10 days since symptoms first appeared and
- At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication and
- Symptoms have improved

If negative: child may return based on the guidance for their symptoms

- Fever: at least 24 hours have passed with no fever without the use of fever-reducing medications
- Sore throat: improvement (if strep throat: do not return until at least 2 doses of antibiotic have been taken)
- Cough/Shortness of breath: improvement
- Diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain: no diarrhea or vomiting for 24 hours
- Severe headache: improvement

Read "[Managing Communicable Diseases in Schools](#)" for more information.

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