

December 4, 2020 COVID-19 Update

Based on recently released guidance from the CDC and the Department of Public Health (DPH), Forsyth County Schools (FCS) is modifying the quarantine period for asymptomatic students that have had direct exposure *effective Monday, December 7, 2020*. There is NO change to the quarantine period for students that test positive.

The three quarantine options for students that have had direct exposure include:

1. Quarantine at home for 7 consecutive days. If asymptomatic on or after the 5th day, the student may take a PCR test (**not the rapid test**). If the PCR test is negative, parents/guardians must provide the test result to the school. After approval is received from the school, the student may return to school and activities on the 8th day.

OR

2. Quarantine at home for 10 consecutive days. If asymptomatic, the student may return to school and activities on the 11th day.

OR

3. Quarantine at home for 14 consecutive days. If asymptomatic, the student may return to school and activities on the 15th day.

If you select option 1, we will be notified when you provide the negative PCR test result. If you select option 2 or 3, please notify your school.

If your child is currently quarantined due to a direct exposure and are asymptomatic, please follow the options and notification process listed above.