

COVID-19 RETURN TO SCHOOL PROCEDURES



SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

- Fever (100F or higher) chills, or shaking chills
- Cough (Not due to other known causes)
- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Muscle aches or body aches
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Headache (*In combination with other symptoms*)
- Fatigue (*In combination with other symptoms*)
- Nasal congestion/Runny Nose (*Not due to other known causes, such as allergies + In combination with other symptoms*)

POTENTIAL SCENARIOS

Student(s)/Staff develop COVID-19 symptoms **at home**

- **Stay Home** and Report Absence to School Nurse
- Contact Primary Care Physician to arrange testing

Student(s)/Staff develop COVID-19 symptoms **at school**

- Proceed to medical waiting room
 - *Staff: Alert supervisor and return home immediately*
 - *Student(s): Parents notified immediately by school nurse; student(s) must be picked up from school within 30 minutes*
- Contact Primary Care Physician to arrange testing

Student(s) develop COVID-19 symptoms **on the bus**

- Driver notify school ahead of drop off
- Student(s) to exit bus first and meet nurse at medical waiting room
- Parent(s) notified immediately; student(s) must be picked up from school within 30 minutes
- Contact Primary Care Physician to arrange testing

Student(s)/Staff traveled outside of Massachusetts

- Follow Massachusetts Travel Guidance (www.mass.gov/covidtravel).
- Verify that student(s)/staff have completed a health attestation form

TESTING/CONTACT TRACING

Student(s)/Staff cannot return to school while awaiting COVID-19 test results

Symptomatic + **Positive** COVID-19 Test

- Self-quarantine for **at least 10 days** (MA Guidelines)
- Cooperate with local health departments
 - *Staff: Report Positive Status to HRCovid19@brooklinema.gov (name, phone, dates of isolation)*
 - *Student(s): Report Positive Test Status to School Nurse*
- Return to School only after being symptom-free 24 hours without medication AND approval from local health departments and school nurse

Symptomatic + **Negative** COVID-19 Test

- Report Negative Test Status to School Nurse
- Return to school only after being symptom-free 24 hours without medication

Symptomatic + **No Testing**

Assume likelihood of positive case:

- Self-quarantine for **at least 10 days** (MA Guidelines) OR is screened by a Health Care Provider with written documentation of an alternative diagnosis
- Return to school only after being symptom-free 24 hours without medication

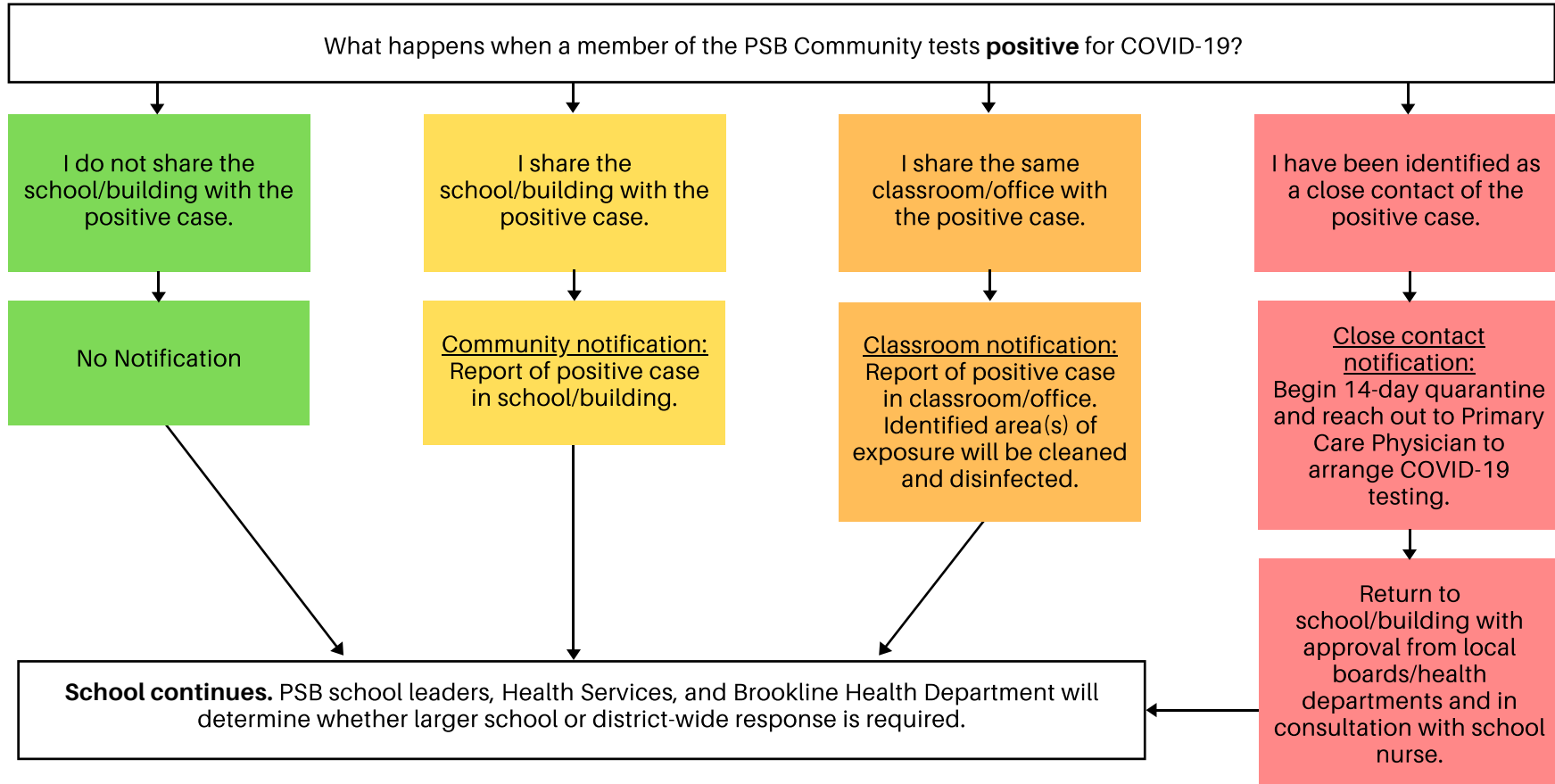
Close Contact (Anyone who has been within 6 feet of an positive case for at least 15 minutes during the infectious period)

- Self-quarantine for **14 days** (MA Guidelines)
 - *Staff: Report Status to HRCovid19@brooklinema.gov (name, phone, dates of isolation)*
 - *Student(s): Report Close Contact Status to School Nurse*
- Contact Primary Care Physician to arrange testing 4-5 days following last exposure
- Return to School with approval from local health departments and school nurse

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REPORTING/NOTIFICATION



PSB WILL NOT SEND OUT A NOTIFICATION FOR STUDENT(S), STAFF, OR COMMUNITY MEMBER(S) THAT:

- Tests **negative** for COVID-19
- Are **symptomatic** but have **not tested for COVID-19**
- Are **symptomatic** and **awaiting test results for COVID-19**

All identifying information sent by PSB and the Brookline Health Department will remain confidential.