

COVID-19 Guidelines in Schools

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, schools will be following guidance from the WI Department of Health Services for illness this year.

If a student or staff member have the following symptoms, they should not come to school. If symptoms present at school they will be sent home and so will any household members (siblings/parents within the school system).

One of these:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- New loss of taste/smell

OR

Two or more of these*:

- Fever, chills, or rigor
- Muscle aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

*Students may have these symptoms due to other illnesses

When a student or staff has the symptoms above, follow these requirements:

- **Ill student/staff and any household members in the school system must stay home.**
- **COVID-19 testing is recommended for ill student/staff.** If tested, student/staff must stay home until they receive COVID-19 or other illness test results. Testing information is on the back side of this sheet, or call your primary care doctor.
- See below for how long student/staff and household members need to stay home. Household members mean anyone living in the same house as the sick person.

For Sick Students/staff:

No COVID-19 Test = Stay Home:

- Stay home for 10 days since the first symptoms began AND until fever free without the use of medications for 24 hours AND symptoms are getting better. *Student/staff may return to school if they are diagnosed with a different illness (example: if student tests positive for Strep throat, they would follow guidelines for Strep throat).

Positive COVID-19 Test = Stay Home:

- Stay home for 10 days since the first symptoms began AND until fever free without the use of medications for 24 hours AND symptoms are getting better.
- The Health Department will contact student/family.

Negative Test:

- Can return 24 hours after fever free without using medications or based on current diagnosis.

For Household Members:

Follow the guidelines below based on whether or not the sick student/staff is tested for COVID-19.

Sick student is not tested for COVID-19 OR student has a positive COVID-19 test result:

- Household members must stay home for a 14 day quarantine period from last exposure.
- Even if household member has negative COVID-19 test during these 14 days, they cannot return to school/work.

If sick student has a negative COVID-19 test or is diagnosed with another illness:

- Household members can return to school immediately.

Testing Locations in Eau Claire County

Provider	Process	Contact
Marshfield Clinic	Call nurse line for an appointment for COVID-19 testing.	844-342-6276
Mayo Clinic	Call your Mayo primary care clinic or provider for a phone screening. Your provider will then direct you to COVID-19 Nurse Line. If you meet testing criteria you will be directed to a local testing site.	Primary care provider/ clinic or call COVID-19 Nurse Line at 507-293-9525
Prevea Health	If you think you may have symptoms associated with COVID-19, visit myprevea.com to schedule a test.	myprevea.com or call 715-717-4582 for questions
Chippewa Valley Free Clinic	Schedule an appointment through Sign-Up Genius or by calling the COVID-19 hotline. <i>Available to schools after September 7, 2020.</i>	https://bit.ly/CVFCtest or call 715-831-7425 for questions

Screening Option

Wisconsin Health Connect

If you think you may have symptoms associated with COVID-19, complete this self assessment tool. A nurse will contact you to discuss the results.

Locations are being added based on need. Visit covid19eauclaire.org for more information.