

# When Can a Sick Child Return to School?



Students / families should call Health Links at 204-788-8200 or 1-888-315-9257 if they notice symptoms. If Health Links says that no test is required, students may return 24 hours after being symptom-free. When Health Links direct students to get a test, families must confirm with the school that they have been tested and state the result of the test.

## RESPONSE LEVELS ORANGE AND RED UPDATE

**What if a member of the same household displays COVID-19 symptoms when the school division is in Response Levels Orange or Red.**

If anyone in the household is symptomatic, the entire household needs to self-isolate. Therefore, students must now stay home if they have a symptomatic member of their household.

If any member of a household has symptoms of the illness and has been tested, the entire household must self-isolate, pending results of a COVID-19 test.

If a student displays symptoms during the day, they will need to go home and all other siblings in K-12 will need to go home as well. This includes siblings who attend other schools in the Division.

If a member of the household becomes symptomatic during the day while at home, it is recommended that parents / guardians pick up other household members who are students at school.

If a household member has travelled to a restricted area (northern Manitoba, east of Terrace Bay, ON, out of country), students may still attend school if they are asymptomatic.

If a member of the household tests positive or has been exposed to a confirmed case of COVID-19, the entire household needs to self-isolate for a 14-day period.

## COVID-19 TESTED

If your child tests positive they must isolate for a minimum of 10 days following a positive COVID-19 test, and until their symptoms have resolved for 24 hours. Public Health will notify them when they can come out of isolation.

If your child tests negative for COVID-19, they may return 24 hours after they are symptom-free.

## REFUSAL OF COVID-19 TEST

If Public Health recommends a test and a student does not get tested, they must isolate for 10 days following the onset of symptoms. Isolation can be stopped at day 10 if the individual is 24 hours symptom-free.

