

St. Paul School COVID-19 Illness Policy

The following protocols were adopted by St. Paul's School Board with regard to school attendance and mitigation of transmission of COVID-19. The School Board has asked that this information be made available to all parents.

1. If your child is sick, keep them home.
2. Masks are optional, unless there is a direct or close contact case.
3. **Direct Contact:** If a student has a positive COVID case in their household but they do not test positive, that student should remain home until the positive family member's isolation period is up. At that time, they may return to school with a negative test as long as they remain symptom free **and** they will be required to mask for 1 week.
4. **Close Contact:** If a student is a close contact with someone who tests positive outside of their household and/or at school that student must mask for 1 week and remain symptom free to remain in school. In the case of a close contact in a classroom, all students in that classroom will be required to mask or remain at home for 1 week **and** remain symptom free. Parents who decide to keep their children home will be able to get their child's lessons at the end of the day. If a classroom is in close contact protocol, they will be kept separated from the other classrooms during lunch and recess.
5. 2 positive cases in the school, is considered an outbreak according to health department definitions and how they advise addressing more than one case. All students and staff will be required to mask for 2 weeks or may stay home. If a parent chooses to keep their child home, they will be able to pick up their child's lessons at the end of the day.
6. If a student shows 2 or more COVID symptoms or 1 stand-alone symptom, that student will be required to leave school and must have a negative test before returning to school. If the parents decline to test the student, the student must be symptom free without the use of medication for 72 hours before returning to school.
7. We do not consider a cough as a stand-alone symptom.
8. No masking will be required for sports.

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