

Dear Redoubt Elementary School Family,

On Wednesday, September 1st, we learned about a positive COVID-19 case in our school. Contact tracing is complete, and everyone has been called who has been identified as a *close contact*.

There are now different quarantine guidelines for someone who is vaccinated or unvaccinated. *

It is best practice for your own safety, and those around you, to monitor your health for *any* COVID-19 symptoms, which will reduce possible exposure to others.

***CLOSE CONTACT AND QUARANTINE PROTOCOL FOR UNVACCINATED AND VACCINATED PEOPLE**

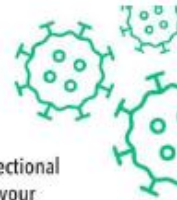


Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

If you are identified as a Close Contact, or test positive for COVID-19, or feel symptoms of illness, this guide from the State of Alaska will assist you with important action steps to take.

Feeling Sick or Exposed to COVID-19

Now what?



This guidance applies to the general public. But if you live or work in a high-risk setting such as a correctional institution, health care facility, an assisted living facility, or a fish-processing plant, talk to someone at your facility for guidance.

	UNVACCINATED	VACCINATED*
If you test positive for COVID-19	ISOLATE Until cleared by public health (usually 10 days, but may vary depending on symptoms).	ISOLATE Until cleared by public health (usually 10 days, but may vary depending on symptoms).
If you are exposed to COVID-19 and have NO symptoms	GET TESTED and QUARANTINE Until cleared by public health (7-14 days) depending on testing and location.	GET TESTED and MONITOR Carefully for symptoms for 14 days. Wear a mask. Quarantine not required.
If you are exposed to COVID-19 and have ANY symptoms	GET TESTED and ISOLATE - If positive, keep isolating. - If negative, stay home while you have symptoms or until you are finished with QUARANTINE, whichever is longer. Talk to a health care provider and consider testing again.	GET TESTED and ISOLATE - If positive, keep isolating. - If negative, stay home while you have symptoms. Talk to a health care provider and consider testing again.
If you have ANY symptoms of COVID-19 and no known exposure	GET TESTED and STAY HOME - If positive, isolate for 10 days. - If negative, stay home while you have symptoms. Talk to a health care provider and consider testing again.	

* A person is fully vaccinated if two weeks have passed since receiving the second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines or a single dose of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine.



WHO IS A CLOSE CONTACT?

- A close contact is someone who has been exposed to a person who test positive for COVID-19, for more than 15 minutes during a 24 hour period, with less than 6' distance
 - *There are some exceptions to this if both people are students, and are wearing face coverings in a K-12 school setting*
- When someone receives a positive COVID-19 test, contact tracing goes back in time two days from symptom onset, or a positive test.

Please be sensitive if you or your family members experience *any* symptoms of illness- including what you think might be allergies. The best action is to stay home if it is the start of the school or work day, avoid activities around other people, and get a COVID-19 test if you or a family member feels ill or loses a sense of smell or taste. If someone is already at school or work when symptoms of illness begin, KPBSD can do a free COVID-19 test (with parent permission for students).

If you have questions, call your school nurse, KPBSD Nurse Melisa at 907-260-2391, or me, so we can follow-up.

Thank you for your efforts to keep our students healthy.

William Withrow
Redoubt Elementary Principal