

ROCKVILLE CENTRE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Medical COVID19 FAQs

1. Can I send my child/ren to school if someone in my household is sick with COVID or COVID like symptoms?

ANSWER: No. Please contact your child/ren's school nurse to notify the reason for your child/ren's absence. The school nurse will advise you that a clearance note is required to return stating a COVID or Non COVID diagnosis and the date your child is cleared to return to school.

2. If my child is diagnosed with COVID, can I send my other child/ren to school? When can I send them back to school?

ANSWER: No. The entire household will need to quarantine for at least 10 days as per Nassau County Department of Health. Also, per DOH, your sick child must remain on quarantine for 10 days from the date of the COVID test. If your sick child was not tested for COVID but was given a COVID diagnosis by your healthcare provider, your sick child must remain on quarantine for 10 days from the day he/she developed symptoms.

3. What does my child/ren need to return to school if he/she was diagnosed with COVID?

ANSWER: Your child/ren will need to provide a clearance note from your healthcare provider stating he/she was diagnosed with COVID, is no longer contagious and may return to school on a specific date **or a copy of the quarantine release letter or text from the Department of Health.**

4. What does staff/students need to return to school if deemed a direct contact to COVID by Nassau County Department of Health and placed on a 10-day quarantine?

ANSWER: Staff/students will need to provide a clearance note from a healthcare provider stating the 10-day quarantine is completed and may return on a specific date **or a copy of the quarantine release letter or text from the Department of Health.**

5. What happens if my child/ren is sent home sick from the nurse's office?

ANSWER: Your child/ren's school nurse will send him/her home with a form from the health office explaining his/her symptoms. Your child will need a note from their provider stating a NON COVID or COVID diagnosis along with a date he/she is cleared to return to school.

6. If my child/ren is/are quarantined, can he/she access remote learning from home?

ANSWER: Yes. All children placed on quarantine may attend class at home remotely.

7. Does RVC School District require COVID testing for any child or staff member experiencing COVID like illness or symptoms?

ANSWER: No. RVC School District does not require COVID testing unless required by Nassau County Dept of Health and/or your healthcare provider.

8. If someone in your household is waiting for COVID test results due to having symptoms of COVID or deemed a direct contact to a person with COVID, can students come to school?

ANSWER: No. Students must wait until COVID results are returned before entering RVC schools.

9. Can students/staff come to work/school if a household member is waiting for COVID test results due to pre-surgical testing, recent travel, or other mandated testing?

ANSWER: Yes. Students and staff may attend school/work because the household member was tested for pre-surgical testing, return from travel, or other mandated testing without exposure to a positive case or symptoms.

10. Can parents choose remote for the day if they keep their child/ren home who are feeling under the weather?

ANSWER: No. Remote access to the curriculum is granted for those students who are quarantined due to COVID like illness or COVID after being diagnosed by their healthcare provider or while waiting for COVID test results.

11. What if a staff or student travels to a Restricted State?

ANSWER: For travelers who traveled outside of NY for more than 24 hours, such travelers must:

1. Obtain testing within 72 hours prior to arrival in New York AND
2. Upon arrival in New York, quarantine for at least three days upon arrival, and get tested on the fourth day of arrival.
3. If travelers receive a negative test on the fourth day of their quarantine, they can exit quarantine.
4. All test results must be provided to your school nurse prior to or on the day of returning to school/work.
5. If the above procedure is not followed, the traveler will be required to quarantine for 10 days upon returning to New York State.

Travel to States identified as Contiguous States are not subject to the above travel restrictions. Contiguous States are Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Vermont.

12. What if a staff member chooses to test themselves for COVID without presenting with symptoms or being deemed a direct contact?

ANSWER: The staff member will use their sick days.

13. Recently, New York State and Nassau County Department of Health have adopted a shortened COVID-19 quarantine period. Will the District adopt these guidelines?

ANSWER: Yes, the District continues to abide by guidelines set forth by New York State and the Nassau County Department of Health. Quarantine periods will now be 10 days.