



## ACS Covid-19 Isolation & Quarantine Policy

**Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to slow the spread of Covid-19 within our school community based on the most recent data-driven metrics by putting into place an isolation and quarantine policy.**

- **Positive Student Case** - Any student that tests positive for Covid-19 must **isolate for 5 days**. To return after the 5 days of isolation, the student must be fever-free for 36 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and free from vomiting and/or diarrhea for 36 hours. It is recommended that students wear a well-fitting mask for 5 additional days beyond their isolation.
- **Symptomatic Student** - Any student that is symptomatic must **isolate for 5 days or present a negative rapid antigen Covid test or a PCR Covid test**. Home based tests are not permitted to return before the 5 day isolation period. Without proof of a negative covid test, students must complete the full 5 day isolation period. A parent may also provide documentation from a doctor that a student is clear to return to school based on an alternate diagnosis. Students should remain at home and must be fever-free for 36 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and free from vomiting and/or diarrhea for 36 hours.
- **Exposure:** ACS will follow the current guidelines regarding exposure recommended by the NCDHHS.
- Parents and teachers may coordinate asynchronous remote learning for those well-enough to participate. Students completing asynchronous remote learning will be counted as present off site.
- All other absences will be considered excused due to illness or quarantine.

***The Isolation & Quarantine Policy will be reviewed monthly at each Board meeting.***

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