

Buffalo Public Schools Isolation and Quarantine Procedures

Updated Draft as of 1/10/22 (Please know that the contents of this flow chart may be updated as information from either the CDC, NYSDOH, and/ or the ECDOH changes). All updates will be shared as they become known.

**You Test
POSITIVE**

Isolate and **report your positive case** to Erie County Department of Health (ECDOH) by clicking the form to report your at-home test results at: <http://www.erie.gov/hometestreport>

MUST DO'S:

- Stay home for at least 5 days (day 0 through day 5. Day 0 is the date of the test **or** first day of symptoms).
- May return after 5 days if:
 - Fever free for 24 hours without Medication **AND**
 - Symptom free or symptoms are very mild.

**You test NEGATIVE, but you
have COVID Symptoms**

You **may** have COVID or another illness.

MUST DO'S:

- Return after 5 days if:
 - Fever free for 24 hours without medication **AND**
 - Symptom free or symptoms are very mild.
- May return **EARLIER** if:
 - Symptoms have resolved as above.
 - Your negative test was a PCR or rapid test completed at a laboratory **OR** you get a doctor's note.

**You are a Close
Contact**

You have been **identified as a Close Contact**, or exposed to someone who has COVID-19, and you are **NOT FULLY VACCINATED**.

- You must **quarantine** for 5 days (Day 0 is the date of the test or first day of symptoms).
- If you are **FULLY VACCINATED** you do **NOT** need to quarantine if you have no symptoms. If you become symptomatic, quarantine immediately and seek testing.

A COVID test on day 5 is suggested for close contacts.

Continue to practice masking, social distancing, and good handwashing. For more information on vaccination locations visit: <https://www3.erie.gov/covid/vax-calendar>