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# **COVID-19 Exposure**

#### You may have been exposed to this illness on \_

**If you have new COVID-19 symptoms,** you should test and mask right away. **If you do not have symptoms,** and are at higher risk of severe disease and would benefit from treatment, you should test within 5 days.

**If you do not have symptoms** and have contact with people who are at higher risk of severe disease, you should mask indoors when around such people for 10 days. Consider testing within 5 days after the last exposure date (Day 0) and before contact with higher-risk people.

You are **NOT** required to quarantine at home at this time. Immediately notify the school if you test positive for COVID-19. School staff, please visit the <u>Cal/OSHA FAQs</u> for additional guidance.

### COVID-19 can cause these symptoms:

- Fever
- Chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath/ difficulty breathing
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste and/or smell
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Muscle or body aches
- Headaches
- Fatigue (tiredness)
- Vomiting or nausea and/or diarrhea
- Conjunctivitis (pink eye)

## How is COVID-19 spread ?

COVID-19 in spread in 3 main ways:

- Breathing in air when close to an infected person.
- By droplets from talking, coughing and sneezing that land in the eyes, mouth or nose.
- Touching eyes, nose or mouth with hands that have the virus on them.

An infected person can spread COVID-19 starting from 2 days before the date of symptoms began or the positive test (if no symptoms) through Day 10.

Symptoms usually start 2 to 10 days after a person is exposed to the virus.

COVID-19 can cause serious illness in individuals with underlying conditions and in older adults.

## What should I do now?

**Monitor** for symptoms of this illness. If you develop any of the symptoms above, test for COVID-19 and mask. If negative, test again 1 day later. Go to the hospital if you are having difficulty breathing or are unresponsive. Symptomatic individuals with COVID-19 may NOT return to work or school until they have completed their <u>isolation period</u>.

For more information contact your healthcare provider or visit: <u>https://coronavirus.marinhhs.org</u> Everyone who is eligible should receive the COVID-19 vaccine to reduce the risk of getting sick.