

LOSD Communication: Cases of COVID-19 at: *Forest Hills* Date: *05/16/2021*

We have been notified that multiple people at **Forest Hills Elementary School** have tested positive for COVID-19. This information was communicated to Clackamas County on **05/16/2021**. The last school exposure was on Thursday May 13 and Friday, May 14, 2021.

As members of the school community, we understand that this might raise concerns alongside a caring response. We are working closely with Clackamas County Public Health to respond to this news.

Each situation calls for different protocols. *In this case, we are taking the following steps:*

1. We are currently working on a list of the identified close contacts of the positive COVID-19 cases. If you have been identified as a close contact, you will be contacted by Clackamas County. A close contact is someone who has been within 6 feet of the person who tested positive for longer than 15 cumulative minutes in a day.
2. The school has been following the COVID-19 guidance of 6 feet distancing, wearing face coverings, and washing/sanitizing hands. Due to this, no one exposed in a school classroom has been considered a close contact.
3. Building areas that may have been affected have been disinfected.

If you test positive for COVID-19, you are ISOLATED:

Isolate at home for **at least** 10 days since the test date (or since symptoms started, whichever is first), and 24 hours fever free, and COVID-19 symptoms are improving.

[OHA How to Isolate](#)

If you have been identified as a close contact to someone who tested positive for COVID-19, you are QUARANTINED:

Quarantine starts from the last time you were exposed to the person who tested positive.

A 14-day quarantine is required in school settings. If you do not develop any symptoms, you would be clear (off quarantine) on day 15. *For example, if you were exposed to someone who tested positive for covid-19 on May 14, your quarantine would last through May 28. You would be off quarantine on May 29.*

Some counties may allow people with no symptoms to stop quarantine after 10 days or to test out of quarantine after 7 days. These are not options for schools in Clackamas County.

[OHA How to Quarantine](#)

If you have the primary symptoms of COVID-19 after being exposed to someone with COVID-19:

Contact your healthcare provider.

Seek COVID-19 testing.

Isolate at home for at least 10 days since symptoms started, and 24 hours fever free, and COVID-19 symptoms are improving.

For more information: [Planning for COVID-19 Scenarios in Schools](#)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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