

## Test & Stay for Staff

Policy for *Unvaccinated or Partially Vaccinated* Staff who are close contacts to a case of COVID-19 *at school*

Staff who are **unvaccinated or partially vaccinated** need to follow this policy. This policy DOES NOT APPLY to fully vaccinated staff.

If an unvaccinated or partially vaccinated staff member is identified as a close contact to a case of COVID-19 **at school**, and they are ASYMPTOMATIC, they can be placed into the Test & Stay program for 7 days from their date of exposure:

- Principal or designee should discuss situation with the School Nurse to confirm staff is a close contact of a school case.
- Test & Stay is for school exposures only.
- Staff member must go to the Principal's designee (Assistant Principal or School Nurse) for BinaxNOW rapid antigen testing every day at the start of school for 7 days from last exposure.
- At this time, there is no testing available on weekends.
- Staff in Test & Stay must be informed that they are expected to quarantine outside of school. This means that other than coming to work, staff must stay at home and limit exposure to people in their household. They should not have visitors and should not participate in community activities or social events.
- All BinaxNow tests must be recorded by the tester under the Test & Stay tab on the spreadsheet shared by the Principal, Assistant Principal and School Nurse.
- Staff in Test & Stay should still participate in pooled testing.

If a staff member in Test & Stay tests positive, even without symptoms, she is now considered a positive case of COVID-19 and will have to go home and isolate for a minimum of 5 days.

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