

## **QUARANTINE GUIDELINES** FOR **CLOSE CONTACTS**DURING SCHOOL RELATED EXPOSURES

This chart can help guide quarantine decisions after a student or adult contact is exposed to someone with COVID-19 in school or during school related activities. It is not applicable to exposure in the community.

## **COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS requires:**

- 1) Masking for students and staff (regardless of vaccination status)
- 2) Strategies to maximize physical distancing (at least 3 feet between desks)
- **3)** Documented COVID-19 prevention policies and procedures (identification of individuals experiencing symptoms, strategies to increase ventilation, protocols for cleaning, etc.)



## **Considered a close contact.** Contact may remain in the classroom if they:

- Continue to mask while in school and outside of school settings for 14 days from last exposure.
- Self-monitor, or parent-monitor, for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days.
- Isolate and get tested if they start to experience symptoms associated with COVID-19 (regardless of level of severity).
- May discontinue quarantine if asymptomatic and has negative COVID test day 5-7 or after 14 days.
- Contact may continue to participate in extracurricular activities if they do the following:
  - Wear a mask when it will not interfere with the activity, with breathing or create a safety hazard.
  - Test on initial notification of exposure.
  - Test again on day 5-7. If negative at this time may discontinue quarantine if asymptomatic.