

## GCPS Isolation Guidelines effective April 2022

### Greene County Public Schools will:

- Continue tracking positive cases within our student and staff population.
  - Please continue to monitor your child for signs of COVID-19 and report positive cases to your child's building principal.
  - If your student tests positive for COVID-19, they are still required to follow isolation guidelines.
- Current GCPS isolation guidelines:
  - **Ending isolation for people who had COVID-19 and had symptoms**
    - If you had COVID-19 and had [symptoms](#), isolate for at least 5 days. To calculate your 5-day isolation period, day 0 is your first day of symptoms. Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed. You can leave isolation after 5 full days.
    - You can end isolation after 5 full days if you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and your other symptoms have improved (Loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation).
    - You should continue to wear a [well-fitting mask](#) around others at home and in public for 5 additional days (day 6 through day 10) after the end of your 5-day isolation period. If you are unable to wear a mask when around others, you should continue to isolate for a full 10 days. Avoid people who have weakened immune systems or are [more likely to get very sick](#) from COVID-19, and nursing homes and other high-risk settings, until after at least 10 days.
    - If you continue to have fever or your other symptoms have not improved after 5 days of isolation, you should wait to end your isolation until you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and your other symptoms have improved. Continue to wear a [well-fitting mask](#) through day 10. Contact your healthcare provider if you have questions.

If an individual has access to a test and wants to test, the best approach is to use an [antigen test](#) towards the end of the 5-day isolation period. Collect the test sample only if you are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and your other symptoms have improved (loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation). If your test result is positive, you should continue to isolate until day 10. If your test result is negative, you can end isolation, but continue to wear a [well-fitting mask](#) around others at home and in public until day 10.

- If you have specific questions regarding these changes, please contact your building principal.