

Early Return from Quarantines

NOTE: This is NOT for people who are positive for Covid or have any illness symptoms. This is an option only for students in a close contact quarantine who have been asymptomatic for the entire quarantine. You do not have to pursue this option. Most asymptomatic students opt to return to school after the standard 10 day quarantine because no testing and clearance is needed for the 10 day option.

If you wish to pursue early return from quarantine, please see below.

1. Contacts or guardians of contacts must **fax** negative PCR lab to Department of Health at 904-825-6875.
 - a. Cover sheet should include the following information:
 - i. Attn: School Team, Negative PCR Results
 - ii. Name of School contact attends
2. Contacts or guardians of contacts must **call** Department of Health's COVID-19 Call Center to notify about the incoming PCR lab.
 - a. Department of Health COVID-19 Call Center number: 904-506-6081 and dial 8, option 1.
3. Please note the following:
 - a. Exposure day is counted as day zero (0), therefore, the PCR test must be completed on day six (6) or later. Any lab done prior to day six (6) will not be approved for early quarantine release.
 - b. Lab must be a PCR test. (This is NOT the rapid test.)
 - c. Earliest potential release from quarantine is day eight (8).
 - d. Early release process can take up to 24 hours after lab is received by Department of Health.
 - e. Department of Health will call contact or guardian of contact for clearance once the lab result is reviewed by Department of Health's Clinical Team.
 - f. Your student may not return early if the school has not received a clearance from the Dept of Health. Please call the school nurse at 904-547-8409 to inquire if your child's clearance has been received. Your student will be sent home if you send them to school with the lab result but no DOH clearance.