

Protocol for when Symptoms Arise during the School Day

If a student is the one who develops symptoms:

1. Symptomatic student must notify their teacher at once.
2. Symptomatic student will be asked to immediately leave current location and move to a specially designated isolation room. Only one student may occupy the isolation room at a time.
3. In the isolation room, student will self-test for fever and fill out symptom questionnaire (thermometer with disposable covers and questionnaires will be present); the student will continue to wear a mask
4. Secretary will contact student's POC (point of contact) for immediate pick-up
5. Secretary will alert YGW covid point person
6. If an individual (trained designated staff such as secretary, teacher, nurse, etc) needs to assist the student, that individual will wear an N95 mask, face-shield, gown and gloves
7. Student must be picked up within 1 hour
8. Family will liaise with their PCP as well as covid coordinator on next steps to include: whether a covid test is required, the pursuit of alternate diagnoses if relevant, and when return to in-person school can be considered
9. Family will be reminded that the school **MUST** be notified immediately about any positive covid test
10. Area in which the student waited (isolation room) will be disinfected: open windows to increase ventilation in "dirty" area, ideally wait 24 hours before cleaning/disinfecting if high likelihood that the individual is covid positive
11. Student desk and associated surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected

If a staff member is the one who develops symptoms:

1. He/she will immediately leave the classroom area and will alert the office/administration
2. Staff member will return home (or to a healthcare facility, if symptoms warrant it) and will follow YGW algorithm for covid suspicious symptoms
3. Teacher desk/area will be disinfected

See also: Screening, Quarantining, and COVID Occurrences in the YGW COVID FAQ