

Protocol for Students Testing Positive or Direct Exposure to COVID-19

Effective January 6, 2022, student protocols for [isolation and quarantine](#) have been updated based on [changes](#) issued by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Note: The following may be subject to change based on updated guidance and regulations.

Students who test positive for COVID-19 (Isolate):

- Do not come to campus or attend classes.
- Immediately notify the College by completing the COVID-19 student reporting form <https://www.iavalley.edu/covid-student-reporting/>. In addition, housing students should contact a Residence Life staff person immediately for isolation housing.
- Isolate at home for at least five days (Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed).
After five full days:
 - If you still have symptoms and a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves (i.e., 24-hours fever-free).
 - If your symptoms have improved and you are fever-free, you can leave your house.
 - Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- At the College’s discretion, you may need to provide a release from your health care provider before returning to campus/classes

Students who were exposed to someone with COVID-19 (Quarantine):

- Do not come to campus or attend classes, unless you fit Scenario 1 (see table below).
- Immediately notify the College by completing the COVID-19 student reporting form <https://www.iavalley.edu/covid-student-reporting/>. Housing students should contact a Residence Life staff person immediately for quarantine housing.

Scenario 1 (No symptoms)	<p>If you are <u>up-to-date</u> with your COVID-19 vaccination, which means you:</p> <p>Have been boosted</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you are up-to-date with COVID-19 vaccination, you may be on-campus. • Wear a mask around others for 10 days. • Test on day 5, if possible. <p><i>If you develop symptoms get tested and stay home.</i></p>
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Scenario 2 (No symptoms)	<p>If you are NOT up-to-date with your COVID-19 vaccination, which means you:</p> <p>Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are <u>not</u> boosted OR Completed the primary series of J&J over 2 months ago and are <u>not</u> boosted OR Are <u>unvaccinated</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay home for 5 days. After that continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days. If you can't quarantine you must wear a mask for 10 days. Note: IVCCD is requiring students to stay home for the first 5 days. Test on Day 5 if possible <p><i>If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home.</i></p>
Scenario 3 (symptoms present)	<p>Regardless of vaccination status:</p> <p>If you have or develop symptoms, get a test and stay home.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow process above, "Students who test positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)" End isolation after 5 full days if you are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and your symptoms are improving. Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.

- At the College's discretion, you may need to provide a release from your health care provider before returning to campus/classes.

We encourage students to get vaccinated, wear a mask and stay at home when you are sick. If you are not vaccinated, contact your local health provider or search [Vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) for vaccine availability.

There may be situations that are not covered in the above protocols. If you have questions please contact the Dean of Students office on your campus.

Other Helpful Links:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html>

Testing Information:

<https://www.doineedacovid19test.com/>