Tests Positive

Isolate
The student will be instructed by medical professionals to isolate for 10 days from their test date. The CDC offers the following guidance to complete the isolation process.

Case Investigation
U-M’s Environment, Health & Safety team or Washtenaw County Health Department will perform case investigation to determine the case’s close contacts* and notify them directly about their exposure, instruct them to quarantine and watch for development of symptoms.

Notification
As of Oct. 21, U-M officials will send COVID-19 classroom notifications to classmates, instructors and deans of students who have tested positive for COVID-19 for in-person and hybrid graduate classes only. The purpose is for general awareness. No action is required for those receiving a classroom notification as the majority of classes were set up to avoid close contact. Anyone with close contact* will be notified through contact tracing.

Return to Class
The student can return to class 10 days from the date of their positive test so long as fever has resolved and other symptoms are improving.

CONFIRMED as a Close Contact*
(through case investigation or contact tracing)

Quarantine
The student will be instructed by U-M’s Environment, Health & Safety or Washtenaw County Health Department to quarantine for a recommended 14 days** from the date of exposure as determined as part of case investigation.

If Symptoms Develop
The student should isolate and seek evaluation immediately through University Health Service.

No Notification
Classroom notifications DO NOT occur for situations involving students confirmed as close contacts who attended in-person class (these individuals have not been diagnosed with COVID-19).

Return to Class
The student can return to class following the quarantine period, unless symptoms develop. Students should then be evaluated at UHS, and follow appropriate guidance.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Provide academic support during student’s isolation/quarantine period.
- Help direct your student to U-M resources (UHS, DOS, SSD, CAPS).
- DO NOT send notifications to the class roster; these will be sent as described above.
- Check out the COVID in the Classroom FAQ here: campusblueprint.umich.edu/faqs#classroom.
- For additional questions, check in with your unit, department or school leadership, or call the COVID-19 Hotline at 734-936-7000 to reach U-M resources and support during the pandemic.

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*Close contact is determined by WCHD or EHS as part of a case investigation, and is defined as someone who was within 6 feet of a case for a total of 15 minutes or more in 24 hours starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic cases, 2 days prior to positive specimen collection).
** For some cases the duration of quarantine may be shortened to 10 days.