**MPA COVID GUIDELINES**

**Fall 2022**

**Students who test COVID positive at school** will be isolated in the testing room and parents will be contacted to pick up their child. The child must isolate at home for five days and may return to school if they have no symptoms after the five days. This procedure is identical if the **student tests positive at home**. Parents MUST notify MPA of a positive test result.

**Close contacts** are defined as someone who was less than 6 feet away from an infected person (laboratory-confirmed or a [clinical diagnosis](https://ndc.services.cdc.gov/case-definitions/coronavirus-disease-2019-2021/)) for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period (for example, three separate 5-minute exposures for a total of 15 minutes). The parents of those persons will be notified with a close contact letter. They may be monitored to stay, meaning they will be tested at school if they show symptoms. The classroom *may* wear masks for five days after exposure, at the discretion of the program.