How do COVID-19 school exposure notifications work?

School community member develops signs or symptoms of COVID-19

School community member is tested for COVID-19

Test is positive

VCH is automatically notified

VCH contacts the person who tested positive to:

☑ Notify them of their test result
☑ Determine who they were in contact with while they were infectious (including at school)

No close contacts at school

No further school follow up and no letter notification. All school community members continue monitoring signs and symptoms daily.

Close contacts at school

VCH directly contacts any close contact of the case to ask them to self-isolate. Lower risk contacts may be asked to self-monitor. This may apply to an individual or an entire class

VCH posts the school on the VCH school exposures webpage

VCH continues to monitor the school

Test is negative

Test results available via my ehealth, phone or text. No follow up by Public Health.