

Screening and isolation steps

Geisinger

Determining if student could be infected

Infectious	Not Infectious
Has symptoms	
Virus PCR positive*	Virus PCR negative, No symptoms, AND Antibody positive
	Previously positive for COVID-19, 10 days since start of symptoms and no fevers for 3 days without antipyretics.

*Prolonged positive PCR test may be detecting dead virus and in those cases, patient may not be infectious. Repeat Virus PCR testing in patient's previously positive is not recommended.

At Home

Screening at home done by parents/guardians
Symptoms, exposure, +/- temp



Fail screening -
keep home, notify
school



Follow return to school/work
protocols



Pass screening



In Bus

Mask in bus



In School

Screening by school
Symptoms, exposure, temp



Fail screening



Mask, isolate and send
home



Follow return to school/work
protocols

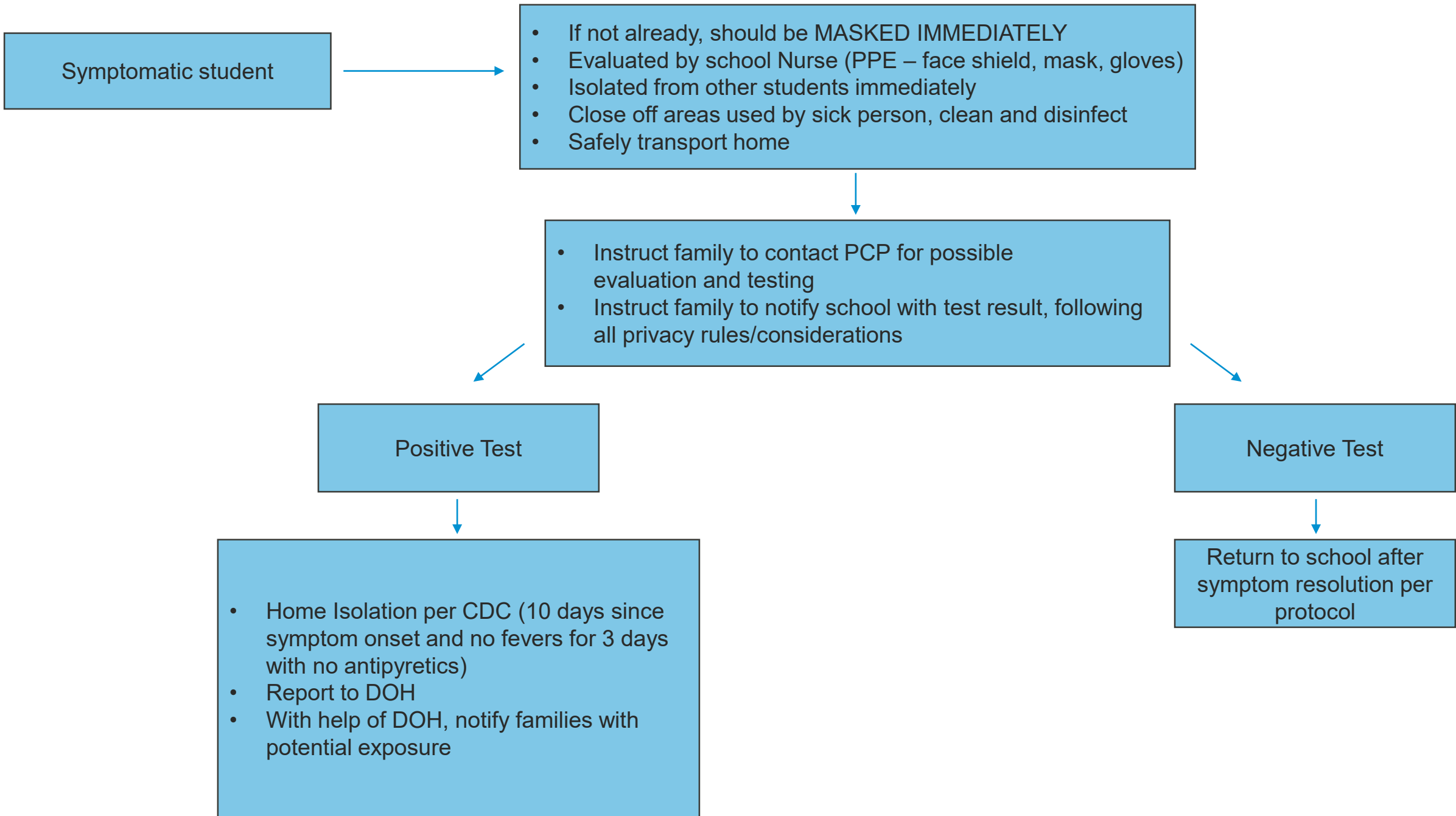


Pass school screening



In classroom:

- Masks should be worn whenever possible in young children, if strict masking cannot be followed, ensure 6 feet distance is maintained
- Frequent hand hygiene
- Disinfection of high touch points and shared equipment such as computers
- Avoid sharing of items like books and toys
- Limit exposure to other students and faculty (cohort classes/teacher)
- Lunch delivered to class



Symptomatic student

- If not already, should be MASKED IMMEDIATELY
- Evaluated by school Nurse (PPE – face shield, mask, gloves)
- Isolated from other students immediately
- Close off areas used by sick person, clean and disinfect
- Safely transport home

- Instruct family to contact PCP for possible evaluation and testing
- Instruct family to notify school with test result, following all privacy rules/considerations

Positive Test

- Home Isolation per CDC (10 days since symptom onset and no fevers for 3 days with no antipyretics)
- Report to DOH
- With help of DOH, notify families with potential exposure

Negative Test

Return to school after symptom resolution per protocol