

Return to School, Child Care or Day Camp

Child Received **NEGATIVE** COVID-19 Test Result

Your child can return to school,
childcare or day camp if:

They do not have a fever (without
taking medication)

AND

Symptoms have been improving
for at least 24 hours

AND

They have not been in close
contact with a person who
currently has COVID-19.

***All unvaccinated household
members must quarantine
while symptomatic person is
awaiting test results. Once the
person with symptoms receives
a negative COVID-19 test result,
household members may return
to work/school/child care/
day camp.**

Child Was **NOT** Tested for COVID-19

Your child can return to
school, child care or day
camp if:

They received an
alternate diagnosis
from a health care
provider.

***Unvaccinated household
members can also stop
isolating and return to
school/child care once the
child is provided with an
alternate diagnosis.**

OR

Your child self isolated for
10 days from the start of
symptoms.

***All unvaccinated
household members of the
symptomatic child who was
not tested must quarantine
for 14 days from their last
contact with them (and be
able to pass screening tool
before returning to
school/childcare/day
camp).**

In either case:

Your child must not have a fever
and symptoms have been
improving for at least 24 hours to
return to school, child care or day
camp.

Child Received **POSITIVE** COVID-19 Test Result

Your child can return to
school, child care or day
camp when:

They have completed 10
days of isolation after
symptom onset

AND

They do not have a
fever (without taking
medication)

AND

Symptoms have been
improving for at least 24
hours

AND

They have been cleared by
Public Health.

***All unvaccinated
household members must
quarantine for 14 days
from last
exposure/contact with
individual who tested
positive.**

**Follow public health guidance on
testing requirements.**

***This does not apply for household members who have received their 2nd dose vaccination
at least 14 days ago AND have no symptoms.**

Medical documentation is not required to return to school, child care, or day camp.

Quarantine means to stay at home.

TESTING

Assessment centres are located throughout the Local District and are listed on the LPHU's website. [COVID-19 testing locations Ontario](#)

NOT TESTING

It is difficult for a health care provider to rule out COVID-19 without a test. The actions you take to understand your child's symptoms will impact when they can return to childcare, school or day camp. **Children who are tested may be able to return to child care, school, or day camp sooner than if they are not tested.**

If the screening tool indicates that your child should be tested for COVID-19 and/or should seek medical assessment, if required, and you choose to have your child assessed by a health care provider:

- Then, if the healthcare provider gives an alternate diagnosis (i.e. not COVID), your child can return to school and/or child care after symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours.
- If the health care provider gives an alternate diagnosis which is non-infectious, they can return to school and/or child care prior to symptom improvement.

HOW TO VIEW TEST RESULTS

For test results, visit covid-19.ontario.ca and click on "check your lab results" or check other laboratory online portals you already subscribe to (e.g. Life Labs, Dynacare).

Visit PPH's website for more information:

Peterborough Public Health – www.peterboroughpublichealth.ca