



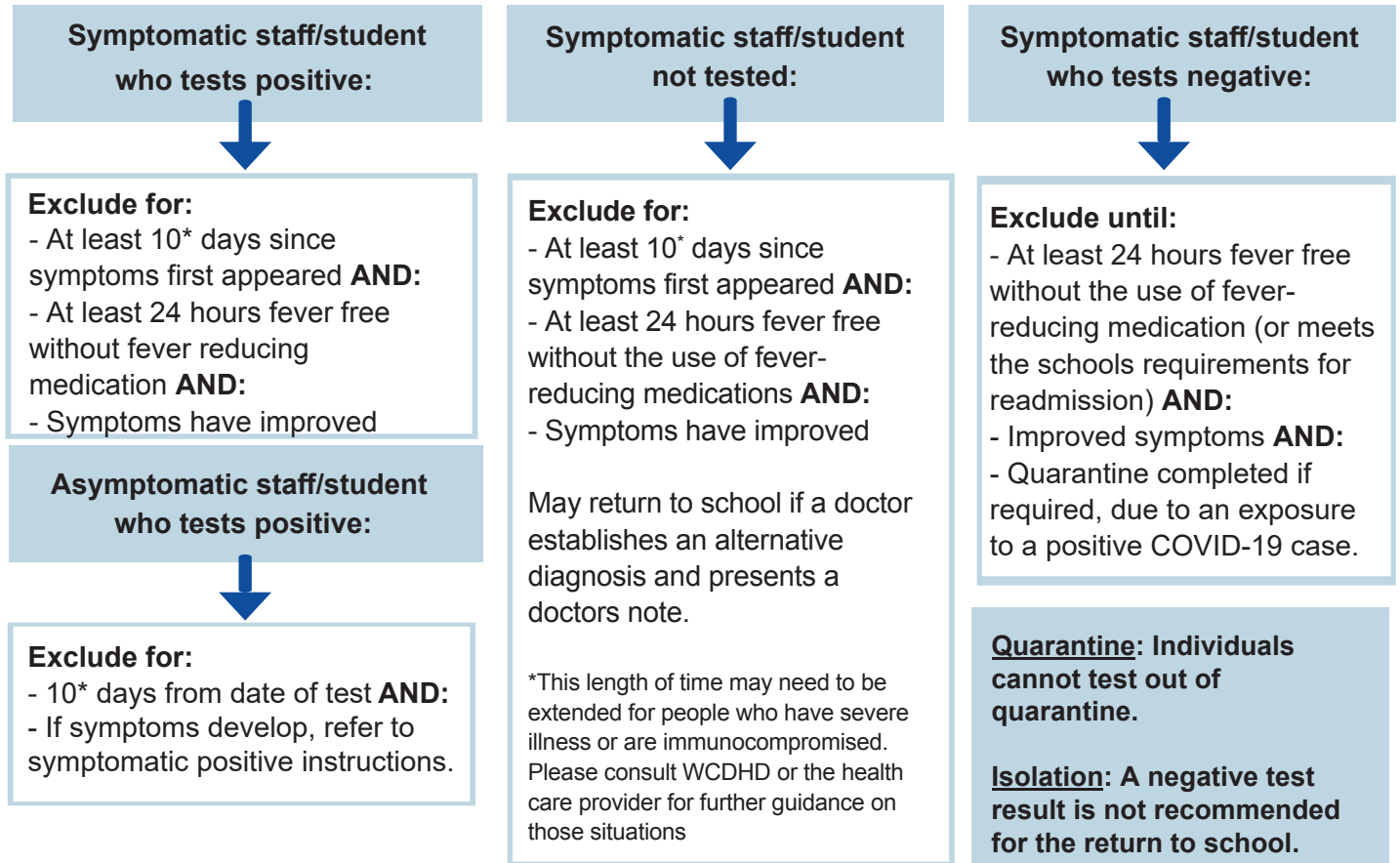
# Local Public Health Recommendations for Screening, Exclusion, and Re-Admittance of Ill Students and Staff for COVID-19 in Schools

The following symptom screening criteria for ill students and staff is based on the most current research. Because people with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms – from mild symptoms to severe illness – the local health department has developed the following criteria to assist schools in identifying presumptive positive COVID-19 cases.

Students with two or more of the following: fever (measured or subjective), chills, rigors, muscle aches, headache, sore throat, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea  
**OR**  
 At least one of the following: new cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new loss of taste/smell,  
**OR**  
 Has at least one symptom and answers yes to: Is there someone in your household who is currently in quarantine or currently positive for COVID-19?

1. Students and staff who screen positive should be immediately isolated in the designated area and sent home as soon as possible.
2. Require the symptomatic person to wear a cloth or surgical mask while waiting, if tolerable.

## Re-Admittance to School



**If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, please call the West Central District Health Department at: 308.696.1201 Upon request WCDHD will issue a release of quarantine/isolation**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/duration-isolation.html>  
<https://www.cdc.gov/nndss/conditions/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/case-definition/2020/>