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COVID-19 Safety Guidelines for In-Person Courses

The well-being and safety of our LaunchCode community is of the utmost importance to us. As we return to some of our courses being delivered in-person, we want to ensure all LaunchCode staff members, learners and course staff feel safe in our spaces. Please note that the below policy is subject to change, as LaunchCode operates with guidance from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention and local/state authorities.

Students and staff are prohibited from coming to class if they:

- feel sick or have any symptoms of a COVID-19 infection;
- test positive for COVID-19; or
- are required or advised by their health care provider or federal, state, or local health authorities to quarantine or isolate.

For purposes of this policy, symptoms of COVID-19 are defined by the CDC and available on their website.

If a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19…

Regardless of vaccination status, any individual who tests positive for COVID-19 is not permitted to return to class in person until after day 5 of their isolation period, with the day of the positive test or the day symptoms started being day zero. According to CDC guidelines, a COVID-positive individual should only return to class and end isolation after day 5 if they are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and when other symptoms (if any) are improving. For detailed isolation guidance, visit the CDC website.

Regardless of when the individual ends isolation, until at least day 11, the CDC recommends wearing a high-quality mask covering their nose and mouth when indoors around others and in public. LaunchCode asks that you abide by these guidelines in our classrooms, as well.

If a student or staff member is exposed to COVID-19…

The CDC recommends individuals who are exposed to someone infected with COVID-19 wear a high-quality mask covering their nose and mouth for 10 days, with day zero being the day of their last exposure to someone with COVID-19. The CDC also recommends individuals who have been exposed get tested at least 5 full days after last exposure, even if they don't develop symptoms. LaunchCode asks that you abide by this guideline in our classrooms, as well. For more information on exposure, visit the CDC website.