

# I'm an employee and tested positive for COVID-19.

## What happens next?

The [CDC has updated the recommended isolation and quarantine period](#) for people with COVID-19. If you test positive for COVID-19 (regardless of vaccination status), you should isolate for five days and if you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving (fever free for 24 hours), follow that by five days of wearing a mask when around others.

### 1 Use the [Employee decision tree](#) for isolation guidance

### 2 Contact your supervisor immediately.

- It is the responsibility of an employee that tests positive to contact their supervisor to discuss work.
- Supervisors made aware of positive cases in the work area should work with their HR Liaison to ensure proper leave policies are followed, as appropriate.

### 3 You can return to campus when:

- You have spent at least 5 calendar days (from the onset of your symptoms or if you are asymptomatic, from the date of your positive test) in self-isolation. Day 0 is the day of your viral test (based on the date you were tested) and day 1 is the first full day after the specimen was collected for your positive test.
- If you have no symptoms or your symptoms (especially no fever for 24 hours) are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your house.
- Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves

