



## FAQ Bulletin for COVID-19: Week 5 (Sept. 8th – Sept. 11th)

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## **What happens if a student missed a routine vaccination dose because of COVID-19?**

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Per the NYSDOH: “If a student has received at least the first dose of each required vaccine series and if the appointment is age-appropriate according to the ACIP schedule, a school may not exclude the student”

## **If a child has not had their Tdap due to not yet turning 11 years old, but have an appointment to get it on their 11<sup>th</sup> birthday are they considered in progress?**

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Per the NYSDOH: “Students who are 10 years of age may remain “in process” for the Tdap vaccine until they turn 11, provided that they have received at least the first doses of all other required vaccine series.”

## **Once an employee/student is out with COVID symptoms, and they have all three requirements to return to work or school, do they need to be seen by anyone? The building nurse? An NP?**

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Per each school district policy, the documentation should be reviewed for compliance and completeness. Once these factors have been verified the employee or student will be cleared to return to school.

## **If an employee goes out for some reason other than a COVID symptom i.e. back pain, can they return the next day?**

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If the absence is not related to a fever, COVID symptom, or a positive on the COVID screening questionnaire, the employee may return per the schools previous pre-COVID out of work/sick day policy.

**If an employee or student is sent home for difficulty breathing and they have asthma. They see the MD, they get a MD note to return and they get a negative COVID test. What happens if they still have a cough?**

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At this time, the guidance from the NYSDOH states symptom resolution is a requirement along with PCP clearance and a negative COVID test to return to in-person learning. The staff member or student cannot return to an in-person learning environment until they are symptom free for at least 24 hours. However, this may be subject to change.