

1. PRESENCE AT SCHOOL

Staying in school is NOT allowed in the presence of symptoms suggestive of COVID-19, or body temperature above 37.5° or with positive diagnostic test (antigenic or molecular). In case of mild symptoms without fever, a student's presence in school is allowed and the student will not be sent home but instead must wear a FFP2 mask.

2. USE OF PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Students/staff are normally NOT expected to use face masks, except for the following situations:

- Mild symptomatology in the absence of fever;
- Presence in the class of a positive case, by classmates for 10 days after contact;
- Pupil*/School staff with vulnerabilities, at high risk of developing severe forms in case of infection.

*These guidelines apply starting with pupils who have turned/will turn 6 years old this year (born 2016).

3. CASES MANAGEMENT

Persons who were found positive in a molecular or antigenic diagnostic test for SARS-CoV-2 are subjected to isolation, as follows:

- for cases that have always been **asymptomatic** and for those who have been **symptom-free for at least 2 days**, isolation may end 5 days after the first positive test or the onset of symptoms, **regardless of whether an antigenic or molecular test** has been performed; for cases that have always been asymptomatic, isolation may end even earlier than 5 days if an antigenic or molecular test performed at a health facility/pharmacy proves negative
- for cases in **immunocompromised individuals**, isolation may end after a minimum period of 5 days, but always necessarily **following an antigenic or molecular test with a negative result**
- Citizens who entered Italy from the People's Republic of China in the 7 days preceding the first positive test may end isolation after a minimum period of 5 days from the first positive test, if they have been asymptomatic for at least 2 days and negative to an antigenic or molecular test.

At the end of isolation, **the use of FFP2-type respiratory protective equipment** is mandatory until 10 days after the onset of symptoms or the first positive test (in the case of asymptomatic cases), and it is recommended to avoid high-risk persons and/or crowded environments. These precautions may be discontinued in the event of a negative antigenic or molecular test.

4. CONTACTS MANAGEMENT

Those who have had close contact with confirmed SARS-CoV-2 positive individuals are subject to the self-monitoring **regime for 5 days after contact**, during which time they are **obliged to wear FFP2 type respiratory protective equipment**, indoors or in gatherings, until the fifth day after the date of the last close contact. If symptoms suggestive of possible Sars-Cov-2 infection occur during the self-monitoring period, immediate antigenic or molecular testing for SARS-CoV-2 is recommended.

5. MISCELLANEOUS

The following are recommended:

- a) Frequent hand hygiene and compliance with respiratory etiquette (cover mouth with disposable handkerchief or elbow crease in case of coughing/sneezing);
- b) Routine and extraordinary sanitation;
- c) Frequent air exchange in classrooms/common spaces;
- d) Refraining from school attendance in case of fever detected at home.

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