

Yuba Community College District
**Protocol for Faculty & Staff when a Student Discloses They are
Experiencing COVID-19 Symptoms**
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The following protocol is to be followed when a student informs a faculty or staff member that they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or they or someone in their household has recently tested positive.

Steps 1 through 5 are for the faculty or staff member that receives the notification

Step 1: Thank the student for coming forward and notifying you.

Step 2: **Ask if they have sought medical care. If so, great. If not, refer them to the document: *Information If You May Be Experiencing COVID-19 Symptoms*.** A copy of that document is attached to this protocol, and can be found on the Coronavirus Update section of the district's website at <https://www.yccd.edu/central-services/coronavirus-covid-19/>.

Step 3: Ask if they could share basic information on how they may have been exposed. If they have been tested, do they know the results? Find out where they have been on campus and who they have recently interacted with.

Step 4: Let them know that you will be contacting your supervisor to make them aware of the situation, and let them know that either the Vice President of Student Services or another Administrator from the college will be contacting them by the end of the day for follow-up.

Assure them that you will keep their information in strictest confidence, but that you will need to share it with College leadership to ensure student safety.

Please note: Legal counsel has advised us that under no circumstances should faculty, administrators, or staff disclose the name of a student who has self-diagnosed or has a confirmed case of COVID-19 to other students or members of the public, and disclosure should be on a need to know basis with respect to sharing with college or district employees.

Step 5: Immediately contact the Vice President of Student Services to notify them about the student. Please provide the student's full name and ID.

Step 6: If the student notified you in person (face to face) or has recently been attending a face-to-face class, inform the Vice President of Student Services and your supervisor, leave the campus and start self-quarantine according to public health guidelines or until the student that notified you has been cleared through testing.

If they notified you over the phone or by email, this step is not necessary.

Step 7: Document the activity that took place during Steps 1 through 6 and send it via email to Vice Chancellor Lolland at slolland@yccd.edu. Please copy the Vice President of Student Services and your College President on the email.

Steps 8 through 12 are for the Vice President of Student Services

Step 8: Thank the faculty or staff member for contacting you. Let them know that you will be reporting it to the President's Office, and through the President's Office it will be reported to county public health officials.

- Step 9: Document the student's name, and College ID number. Contact the President's Office.
- Step 10: Obtain a copy of the student's class schedule and then notify the student's other instructors that, for personal reasons, the student will be absent from class for the immediate future.
- Step 11: Contact M&O to let them know a classroom(s) has been/or may have been exposed to COVID-19 so additional cleaning can be undertaken. Obtain cleaning of additional campus facilities as appropriate.
- Step 12: Document the activity that took place during Steps 8 through 11 and send it via email to Vice Chancellor Lolland at slolland@yccd.edu. Please copy the faculty or staff member that was initially contacted and your College President.

The remaining steps are for the College President or their designee

- Step 13: Call the student and confirm the information that was received. Let the student know you will be contacting the County Department of Public Health.

Remind the student that they need to stay at home until they have been cleared by a doctor. When they return to campus, they should bring documentation indicating that they have been cleared to return. Documentation should be provided to the Vice President of Student Services who will notify all appropriate parties.

Let them know that all of their instructors have been informed that they will not be in attendance for personal reasons.

Ask to be kept informed of their status as they go through a self-quarantine period and/or recover from their symptoms.

- Step 14: Contact the Public Health Department to report the exposure, request contact tracing and for quarantine guidance. Notify all other parties that may be exposed as advised by the Health Officer.
- Step 15: Document the activity that took place during Steps 13 through 14 and send it via email to Vice Chancellor Lolland at slolland@yccd.edu, and copy CHRO Donald Grady at dgrady@yccd.edu.

The designated point of contact with County Health Officials are Dr. Pimentel for Yolo, Colusa and Lake Counties and Dr. Lolland & Dr. Dotson for Yuba and Sutter Counties. All communication with county health officials needs to go through them.

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Information if You May Be Experiencing COVID-19 Symptoms

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According to the CDC, individuals with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms – ranging from mild to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms of COVID-19 may include:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea.

If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, please be advised to do the following:

1) **Stay home, monitor your symptoms and if necessary seek medical assistance.**

- a. Contact your health care provider by phone for assessment. It is recommended that you call ahead and not just show up at their offices.
- b. If you do not have a health care provider, contact the college health services office by telephone.
 - Woodland Community College: (530) 661-7758
 - Yuba College: (530) 740-1749
- c. If the college health services office is not available, you should contact the public health office for the county in which you reside.
 - Colusa County Public Health: (530) 458-0250
 - Glenn County Public Health: (530) 934-6588
 - Lake County Public Health: (707) 263-1090
 - Sutter County Public Health: (530) 822-7215
 - Yolo County Public Health: (530) 666-8643
 - Yuba County Public Health: (530) 749-6311

2) **Separate yourself from other people and animals in your home**

- a. As much as possible, stay in a specific room and away from other people and pets in your home. If possible, you should use a separate bathroom. If you need to be around other people or animals in or outside of the home, wear a cloth face covering.

3) **Monitor Symptoms**

- a. Follow care instructions from your healthcare provider and local health department. Your local health authorities may give instructions on checking your symptoms and reporting information.
- b. When to Seek Emergency Medical Attention: Look for emergency warning signs for COVID-19. If you are showing any of these signs, seek emergency medical care immediately: Trouble breathing; Persistent pain or pressure in the chest; New confusion; Inability to wake or stay awake; Bluish lips or face. **This list is not all possible symptoms. Please call your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you.*

4) **Wear a facemask when you are around other individuals**

5) **Continue to follow the recommended prevention measures**

- a. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- b. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- c. Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- d. Stay home when you are sick.
- e. Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- f. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- g. Avoid sharing personal household items – dishes, cups, towels, bedding, etc...
- h. Clean all “high-touch” surfaces everyday

Source: Center for Disease Control