

Franklin Cummings Tech is committed to the health and safety of our community. We closely follow all recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). As of the expiration of the national emergency concerning the COVID-19 pandemic on May 11, 2023, Franklin Cummings Tech strongly encourages, but not does require, all students, faculty, and staff to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Vaccinations against COVID-19 remain safe and effective at preventing serious illness.

Regardless of vaccination status, if you feel sick or have tested positive for COVID-19, do not come to campus. Please read below for information on staying home if you test positive for COVID-19. For more guidance, visit the CDC site: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/isolation.html>



Isolation

If you test positive for COVID-19, **stay home for at least 5 days and isolate from others in your home.**

You are **likely most infectious during these first 5 days.**

- **Wear a high-quality mask** if you must be around others at home and in public.
- Do not go places where you are unable to wear a mask. For travel guidance, see CDC's [Travel webpage](#).
- [Do not travel](#).
- Stay home and separate from others as much as possible.
- Use a separate bathroom, if possible.
- Take steps to [improve ventilation](#) at home, if possible.
- Don't share personal household items, like cups, towels, and utensils.
- Monitor your [symptoms](#). If you have an [emergency warning sign](#) (like trouble breathing), seek emergency medical care immediately.
- Learn more about [what to do if you have COVID-19](#).



Ending Isolation

End isolation based on how serious your COVID-19 symptoms were. Loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation.

If you had no symptoms

You may end isolation after day 5.

If you had symptoms and:

Your symptoms are improving

You **may end isolation after day 5** if:

- You are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication).

Your symptoms are not improving

Continue to isolate until:

- You are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication).
- Your symptoms are improving.¹