

## Boarding isolation protocol

If a student from the boarding community exhibits symptoms of Covid-19 whilst at school, the following protocols must be followed. Families of students affected must be kept informed by the school. Due to data protection regulation, names of students with suspected Covid-19 cannot be shared with other parents/students.

### During the school day

1. BHS staff are contacted by a teacher, put on PPE (following protocols shown [here](#)) and isolate student. A test will be conducted and the student will be isolated with access to toilet/washing facilities separate from others. Members of their boarding residence will also be isolated while the test is processed. The school nurse will contact Public Health England at 0344 225 3861 for further guidance.
2. Close contacts are identified and this information is communicated to PHE who then advise on isolation of other individuals and further testing.
3. If other boarders are required to isolate, they will do this in their rooms in their boarding residence but must have access to separate toilet facilities from other students. If this is not possible, toilets must be cleaned thoroughly following use by isolated individuals and they must wear a mask and keep at least 2 metres from anyone else when moving from room to toilet facilities which cannot be in use by anyone else at that time.
4. If well enough to work, isolated students must complete work assigned by teachers via Teams or, if unable to access internet, in their exercise books. During isolation food and drink is brought to the door and staff will move at least 2 metres away from the door before the door is opened. Students are issued with bin bags for rubbish or dirty clothing which is then left at the door for collection. Any waste or laundry being collected must be done by staff wearing PPE and must be left for at least 72 hours before disposal or washing.
5. If a test result is negative, isolation can end for the student and close contacts.
6. If a test result is positive, isolation for student displaying symptoms must be for 10 days and close contacts for 10 days as well. During this time, if well enough to work, isolated students must complete work assigned by teachers via Teams or, if unable to access internet, in their exercise books. If too unwell to work, students must rest and if symptoms get worse, NHS 111 must be contacted for further advice.
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8. Following the end of isolation, student rooms must be thoroughly cleaned following Covid-19 protocols.
9. Any staff dealing with students who have suspected Covid-19 must put on school-issued PPE and dispose of it following procedures shown [here](#). Bagged up PPE must be stored for at least 72 hours before disposing in the normal waste. Staff must wash their hands thoroughly after contact with students who have suspected Covid-19.

### Outside of the school day

1. Residential staff put on PPE (following protocols shown [here](#)) and isolate student and NHS 119 is contacted and a PCR test administered. Student remains isolated in room with access to toilet/washing facilities separate from others. If sharing a room, roommates are also

isolated. Staff should wear PPE when assisting students with this. For further guidance, Head of Boarding calls 0844 967 0069 or via email at [PHE.sshpu@nhs.net](mailto:PHE.sshpu@nhs.net)

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5. If a test result is negative, isolation can end for the student. PHE advice must be sought on whether or not close contacts can also end isolation.
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