

Guidance for Covid-19 related student absence

A quick reference guide for students, parents and staff (September 2020)

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to college when...
...a student has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to college Contact college to inform us by emailing covid@stokesfc.ac.uk Self-isolate the whole household Get a test Inform the college immediately about the test result by emailing covid@stokesfc.ac.uk 	...the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started, and the student feels well.
...a student tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to college. Contact college to inform us by emailing covid@stokesfc.ac.uk Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days 	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, even if they still have a cough or loss of taste/smell. <i>(These symptoms can last for several weeks.)</i> AND the student feels well.
...a student tests negative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact college to inform us. 	...the test comes back negative.
...a student is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do come to college if you are well enough. Please use the usual absence procedure if you are not well enough to attend by calling the absence line on 01782 01782 854203 or recording the absence via Cedar. Notify the college on each day of illness 	... you are well enough to attend.
...someone in your household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to college Contact college to inform us by emailing covid@stokesfc.ac.uk Self-isolate the whole household Household member with symptoms to get a test Inform college immediately about test result 	...the test comes back negative.
...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to college Contact college to inform us by emailing covid@stokesfc.ac.uk Self-isolate the whole household 	...the student has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified a student as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to college. Contact college to inform us by emailing covid@stokesfc.ac.uk 	...the student has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than a student) as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The household member must self-isolate for 14 days Student can continue to attend college 	...student can continue to attend college
... a sibling attending another school/college has been sent home to self-isolate due to their being a positive case in their school/college.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sibling must self-isolate within the household for 14 days Sixth Form College student can continue to attend 	...student can continue to attend college

<p>...a student has travelled abroad from a country, territory or region that is NOT on the exempt list of countries.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● If returning from a destination where quarantine is needed*: ● minimum of 14 days' self-isolation for all those who travelled ● Contact college to inform us by emailing covid@stokesfc.ac.uk ● Self-isolate the whole household <p>*Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) – for up to date travel information</p>	<p>...the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed.</p>
<p>... a student has travelled abroad from a country, territory or region that IS on the exempt list of countries.</p>	<p>If returning from a destination where quarantine is NOT needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Check the current Exempt countries and territories list to confirm the country you have travelled from or through is on the exempt list ● Contact college to inform us by emailing covid@stokesfc.ac.uk 	<p>Return to college as advised by the college</p>
<p>... Members of the household have travelled from a country that requires us to quarantine (but a student didn't travel).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● As long as the student does not have/have not had symptoms in the last 14 days, they can continue to attend college ● The person who has travelled MUST NOT leave the house, including to do pick-ups and drop offs 	<p>...student can continue to attend college</p>
<p>...a student's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in college.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Child must not come to college ● Support your child at home with remote education provided by your college ● Students will need to self-isolate for 14 days ● Other siblings outside of the bubble may continue to attend college 	<p>...college inform you that the bubble will be reopened.</p>
<p>... someone in the household who has symptoms is unable to get a test.</p>	<p>If you are not able to get a test in the first 5 days of having symptoms, the student and anyone they live with must stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home.</p> <p>The college has a small supply of postal tests if your child requires a test and you can't book one.</p>	<p>...the student has completed 14 days of isolation.</p>