

Summary of exclusion criteria for measles exposure in schools

Measles is highly contagious. Following strict quarantine and exclusion criteria is important in containing the spread of disease and preventing outbreaks. Exclusion criteria vary slightly between students and staff. Below is the exclusion criteria summary for each group.

Students:

- Asymptomatic exposed students who have had 2 doses of MMR prior to the exposure may continue to attend school.
- Unvaccinated contacts, contacts with only 1 dose of MMR, or contacts that cannot produce evidence of immunity may remain in school if they receive one dose of the MMR vaccine within 72 hours of exposure to a known case of measles.
- If a student is either severely immunocompromised or pregnant, it is recommended they receive immunoglobulin within 6 days of exposure instead of an MMR dose. Please refer these students' parents to either the local health department or their provider to discuss this option. The only exception is a pregnant individual who has a record of 2 doses of MMR, in this case no further MMR doses or immunoglobulin are needed.

Management of student contacts				
Number of Pre-Exposure Doses of MMR	MMR Received within 72 hours	Total Number of Doses of MMR	Exclusion from School and School Activities	Active Monitoring Recommended
0	0	0	Yes	Yes
0	1	1	No	Yes
1	0	1	Yes	Yes
1	1	2	No	No
2	0	2	No	No

Staff:

- Asymptomatic exposed staff who have had 1 dose of MMR or were born before 1957 prior to the exposure may continue to attend school.
- Unvaccinated contacts or contacts that cannot produce evidence of immunity may remain in school if they receive one dose of the MMR vaccine within 72 hours of exposure to a known case of measles.
- If a staff member is either severely immunocompromised or pregnant, it is recommended they receive immunoglobulin within 6 days of exposure instead of an MMR dose. Please refer these staff members to either the local health department or their provider to discuss this option. The only exception is a pregnant individual who has a record of 2 doses of MMR, in this case no further MMR doses or immunoglobulin are needed.

Management of staff contacts				
Number of Pre-Exposure Doses of MMR	MMR Received within 72 hours	Total Number of Doses of MMR	Exclusion from School and School Activities	Active Monitoring Recommended
0	0	0	Yes	Yes
0	1	1	No	Yes
1	0	1	No	No
1	1	2	No	No
2	0	2	No	No
Adults born before 1957 do NOT need to be excluded from school				