

Quarantine and Isolation Guidelines for K-12 Students

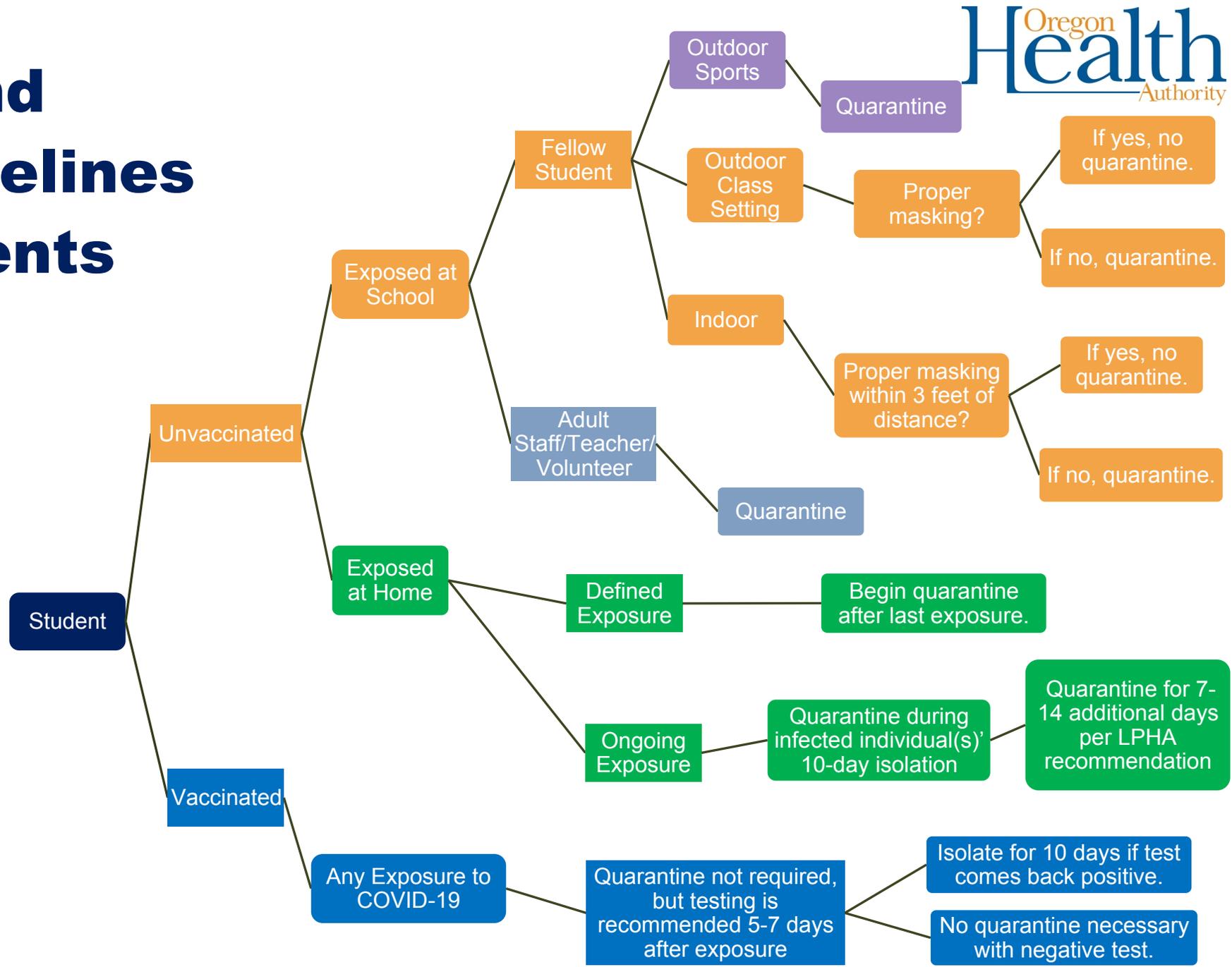
This decision tree is to help guide LPHAs and schools in understanding who needs to quarantine or isolate after [a COVID-19 exposure](#).

Exposure to COVID-19 indicates that the individual was within 6 feet from someone infected with COVID-19 for at least 15 minutes cumulatively, within a 24-hour period.

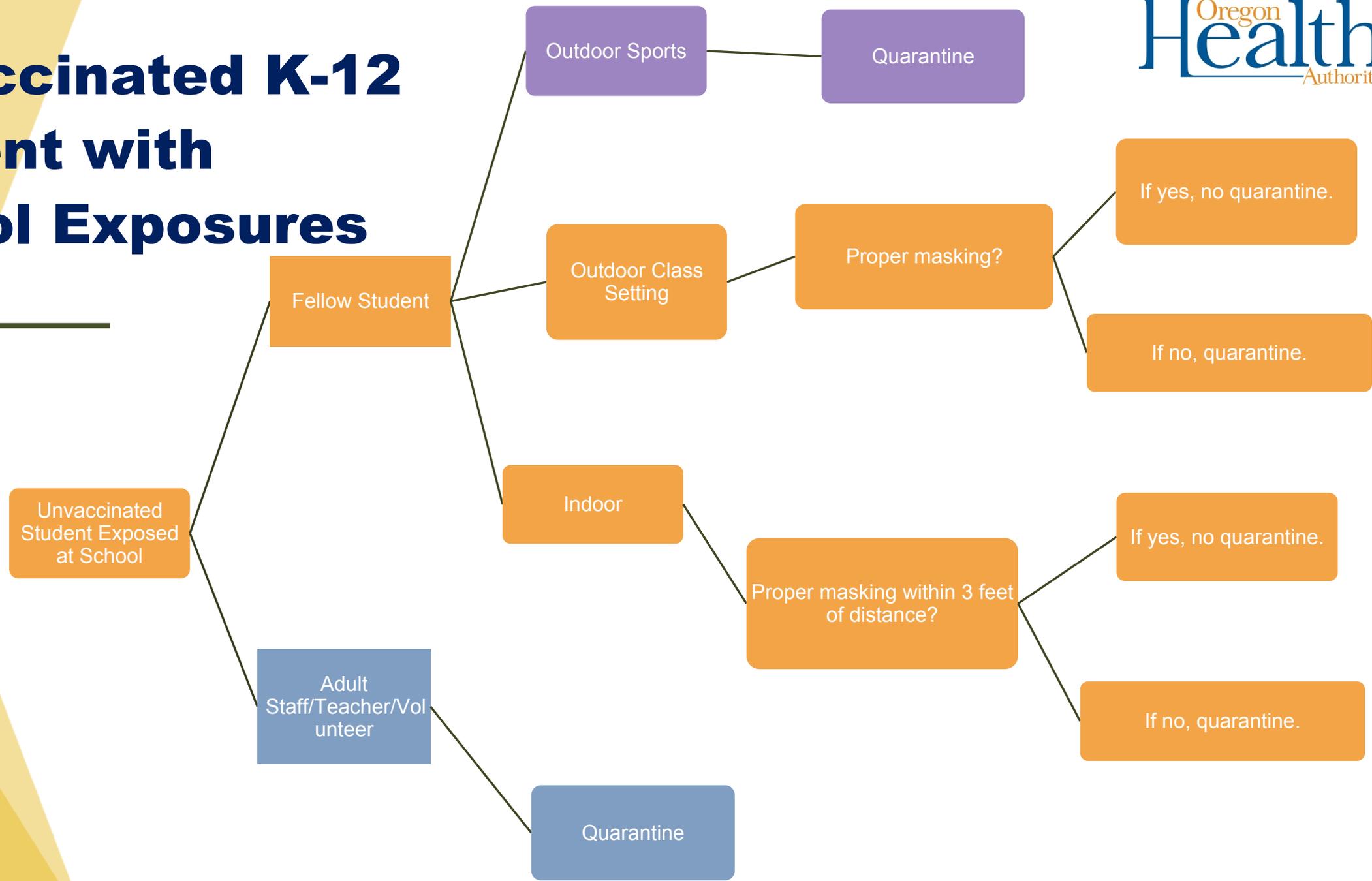
Quarantine is for individuals who were exposed to a COVID-19 positive individual but are not symptomatic and have not tested positive. The safest quarantine option is 14 days; however, you should consult your Local Public Health Authority (LPHA) for current quarantine recommendations.

Isolation is a 10-day period for people who have tested positive or are symptomatic after being exposed to COVID-19.

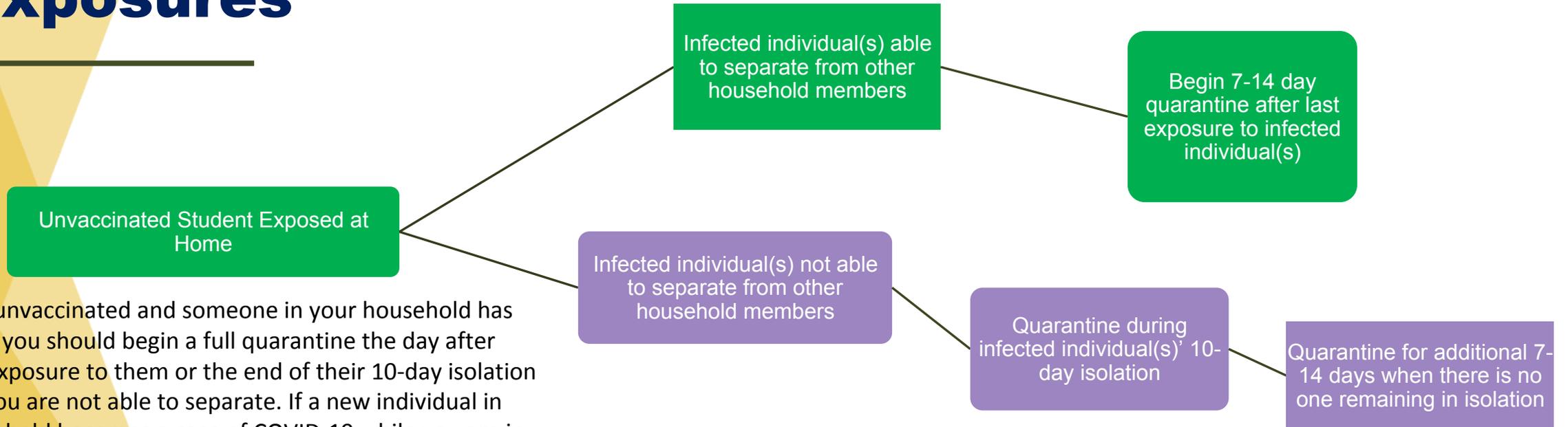
Testing is recommended for all individuals who are exposed to someone who has COVID-19, 5-7 days after the date of exposure.



Unvaccinated K-12 Student with School Exposures



Quarantine Guidelines for Unvaccinated K-12 Students with Home Exposures



If you are unvaccinated and someone in your household has COVID-19, you should begin a full quarantine the day after your last exposure to them or the end of their 10-day isolation period if you are not able to separate. If a new individual in your household becomes a case of COVID-19 while you are in quarantine and you are a close contact of them then this process will restart. This is because the person who has COVID-19 may be contagious during their entire 10-day isolation period. This may mean you need to quarantine for a total of 24 days or more. The safest quarantine option is 14 days, but you should consult your local public health authority for current guidelines.

Vaccinated K-12 Student Quarantine Guidelines

