

**Virginia Department of Health Test to Stay (TTS)
Early Care and Education (ECE)/ Child Care Program Checklists**

Eligibility Checklist

Does an individual meet the criteria to participate in Test to Stay? VDH recommends that TTS only be used for individuals aged 2 years or older. **Children less than 2 years of age are not eligible to participate.** Both **students and staff** are eligible to participate.

Note: The exposure can be one that occurred at the child care facility, in the community, or in the household. The exposure may be masked or unmasked.

	Yes	No
2 years of age or older - Is the individual age 2 or older?		
Asymptomatic Close Contact - Is the individual a close contact AND asymptomatic? (And would be required to quarantine according to routine protocol otherwise.)		
Not Eligible For or Up to Date on COVID-19 Vaccines - Includes individuals not eligible for COVID-19 vaccines (children ages 2- 4 years old), children 5-17 who have not received the primary series (two doses) of vaccines for COVID-19, or those ages 18 years or older who have not received all recommended vaccine doses		
Able to Wear a Mask - Is the individual able to wear a mask while at the child care facility during the 5 day TTS quarantine period followed by 5 additional days of mask use (exceptions for eating, drinking, and sleeping).		
Remains Asymptomatic - Has not developed any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 at any time since their exposure?		
Signed Consent Form - Has the individual or for a student, their parent/guardian, signed the consent form to participate in Test to Stay?		

If the answer to all questions is “Yes” then the individual is eligible for Test to Stay.

If any of the answers are “No,” then the individual should be quarantined at home according to the established school protocol for close contacts.

Child Care Facility Entry Checklist

Can an individual in Test to Stay proceed to their program room??

	Yes	No
Did the individual have a negative rapid test either this morning, or yesterday evening (ideally after 7pm?)		
Is the individual asymptomatic ? (No signs or symptoms of COVID-19 have occurred since their last check-in.)		
Can the individual wear a mask (except when eating, drinking, and sleeping) while at the child care facility?		

If the answer to all questions is “Yes” then the individual may proceed to the classroom.

If the answer to any question is “No,” then the individual should be sent home immediately and asked to isolate/quarantine according to the established school protocol for close contacts. They are no longer eligible for the Test to Stay program.

Completion Checklist

When is an individual released from Test to Stay after an exposure?

	Yes	No
Did the individual have a negative rapid test every day for 5 days (Days 1-5) after the exposure? (The individual does not need to take a rapid test on the mornings of days that fall on weekends or holidays, or the evenings prior)**		
Did the individual wear a mask for an additional 5 days (Days 6-10) after their exposure?		
Is the individual still asymptomatic ? (No signs or symptoms of COVID-19 have occurred at any point.)		

**Testing and symptom monitoring will begin on the day of exposure or as soon as possible thereafter (some individuals may not be identified as a close contact on Day 0, so monitoring will begin as soon as they are identified.) Must have a negative test result on or after Day 5 before being released from Test to Stay monitoring, even if Day 5 falls on a weekend or holiday.

If the answer to all questions is “Yes” then the individual may be released from the Test to Stay program and resume all normal activities.

If the answer to any question is “No,” then the individual should be sent home immediately and asked to isolate/quarantine according to the established child care facility protocol for close contacts. They are no longer eligible for the Test to Stay program.