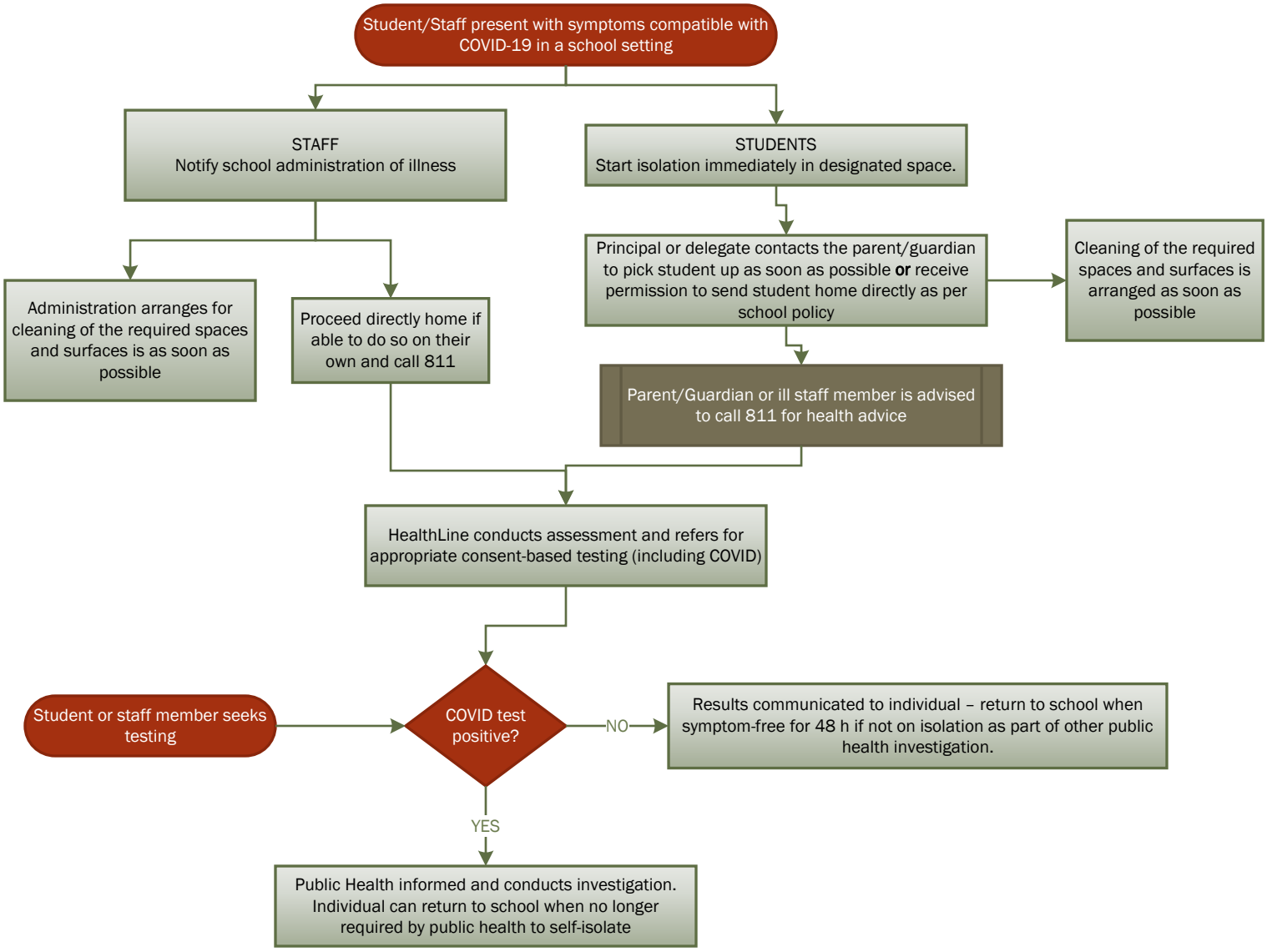
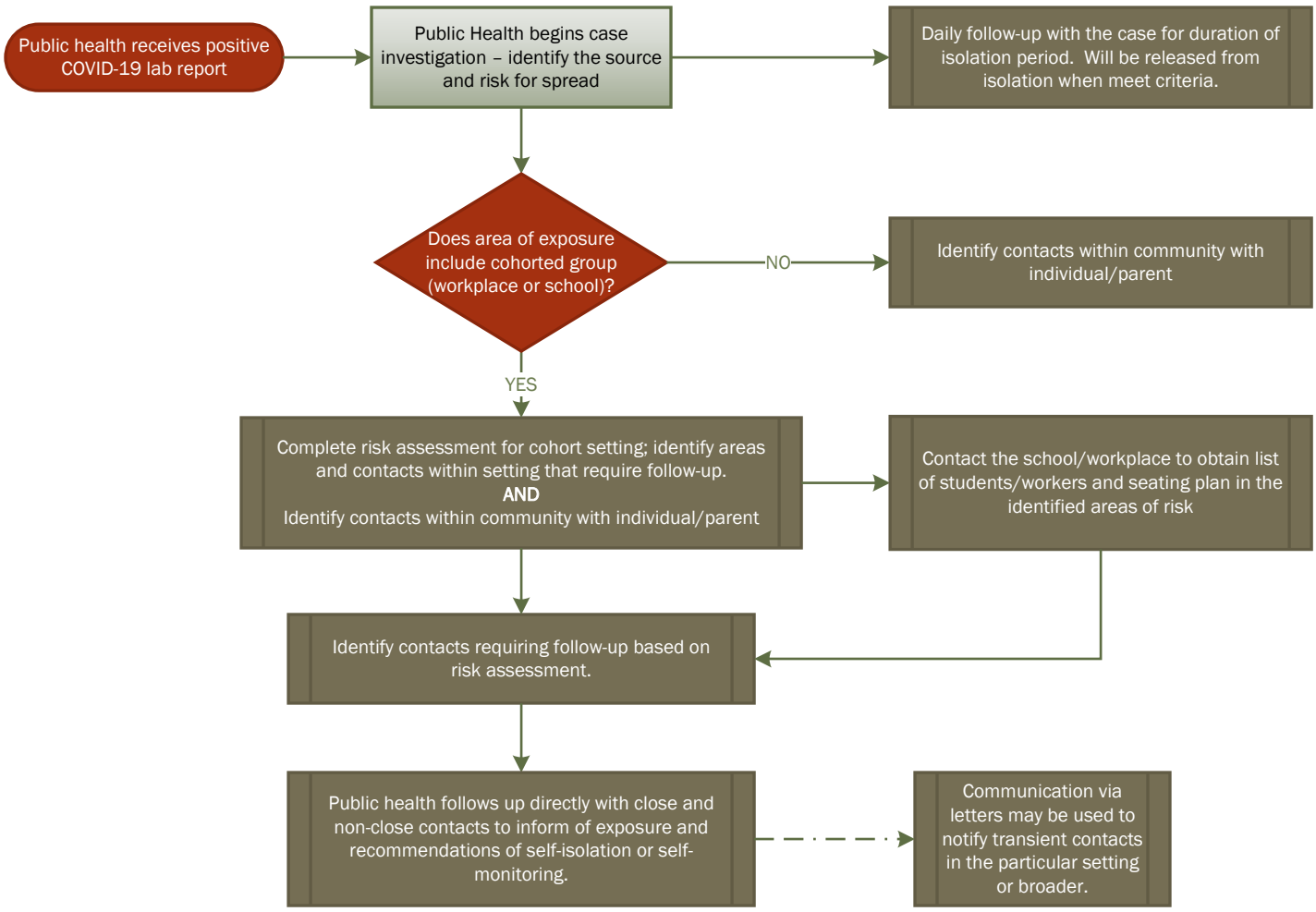

Student/Staff present with symptoms compatible with COVID-19 in a school setting
STAFF
Notify school administration of illness
STUDENTS
Start isolation immediately in designated space.
Administration arranges for cleaning of the required spaces and surfaces is as soon as possible
Proceed directly home if able to do so on their own and call 811
Principal or delegate contacts the parent/guardian to pick student up as soon as possible or receive permission to send student home directly as per school policy
Cleaning of the required spaces and surfaces is arranged as soon as possible
Parent/Guardian or ill staff member is advised to call 811 for health advice
HealthLine conducts assessment and refers for appropriate consent-based testing (including COVID)
Student or staff member seeks testing
COVID test positive?
NO
Results communicated to individual – return to school when symptom-free for 48 h if not on isolation as part of other public health investigation.
YES
Public Health informed and conducts investigation. Individual can return to school when no longer required by public health to self-isolate


Public health receives positive COVID-19 lab report
Public Health begins case investigation – identify the source and risk for spread
Daily follow-up with the case for duration of isolation period. Will be released from isolation when meet criteria.
Does area of exposure include cohorted group (workplace or school)?
NO
Identify contacts within community with individual/parent
YES
Complete risk assessment for cohort setting; identify areas and contacts within setting that require follow-up.
AND
Identify contacts within community with individual/parent
Contact the school/workplace to obtain list of students/workers and seating plan in the identified areas of risk
Identify contacts requiring follow-up based on risk assessment.
Public health follows up directly with close and non-close contacts to inform of exposure and recommendations of self-isolation or self-monitoring.
Communication via letters may be used to notify transient contacts in the particular setting or broader.