

PRE-K-12 RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON LEVEL OF COMMUNITY SPREAD

This information is designed to help local officials make decisions about school operations based on the level of COVID-19 in their counties. Schools may remain open to in-person instruction at all levels as conditions permit. Decisions should be made in consultation with local health officials in accordance with all current local and state guidelines.

PRE K-12 RECOMMENDATIONS	BLUE (minimal community spread)	YELLOW (moderate community spread)	ORANGE (moderate to high community spread)	RED (high community spread)
SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools may operate all grades in-person taking all proper precautions including maximizing social distancing, focus on hand hygiene, and masks. * Limit activities where social distancing is not feasible. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools may continue all grades in-person but should be vigilant in taking all proper precautions including maximizing social distancing, focus on hand hygiene, and masks. * No assemblies or activities where social distancing is not feasible. 	<p>Schools may continue in-person instruction, especially in grades K-8, but decisions should be made in consultation with local health department and include consideration of the ability to maintain social distancing, enforce hand hygiene and wearing of masks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No assemblies or large group activities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools may continue in-person instruction, especially in grades K-8, but decisions should be made in consultation with local health officials and include consideration of the ability to maintain social distancing, enforce hand hygiene and wearing of masks. Schools may consider hybrid instruction for high school students in consultation with local health officials.
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extracurricular activities to follow state and local event gathering guidelines with social distancing and masks except when doing strenuous activity. Limit spectators in accordance with state and local guidelines. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be vigilant about precautions for extracurricular activities and postpone or cancel activities as warranted. Athletic and extracurricular activities should consider permitting parents/guardians and close family only. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance at winter indoor K-12 extracurricular activities and co-curricular activities is limited to 25 percent capacity, in consultation with local health departments. All non-competing and non-performing participants required to wear face coverings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance at winter K-12 extra-curricular and co-curricular activities is limited to participants, support personnel and parents/guardians, in consultation with local health officials. All non-competing and non-performing participants must wear face coverings.
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage community to actively participate in continued precautions. Follow guidance in Executive Order 20-48 and all local guidance. Discuss with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school. Follow guidance in Executive Order 20-48 and all local guidance. Local education leaders work with county health officials to determine if increased precautions and community engagement activities are necessary to prevent escalation of disease. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school. Follow guidance in Executive Order 20-48 and all local guidance. Local county education leaders will work collaboratively with local health departments to consider implementation of aggressive precaution measures both in schools and communities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discourage social events. Follow guidance in Executive Order 20-48 and all local guidance. Local county education leaders will work collaboratively with local health departments to consider implementation of aggressive precaution measures both in schools and communities.

* Continue strict contact tracing, education about testing and staying home when ill or a close contact. Be prepared to move to virtual learning and provide virtual options for medically vulnerable children and families who select that option for their children.

** Strong recommendation for all school systems to maintain a building that is open to assist students with remote learning, to ensure safety and food security or to enter into an agreement with community organizations to do the same.