



Health & Safety Plan – Tiered Mitigation Measures

Wayne Highlands School District is committed to the safe return to full in-person instruction in the fall. First and foremost, our main goal is to keep everyone healthy. In addition, we hope to be able to stay open with in-person learning with continuity. However, in the event that either the Level of Community Transmission or the In-School Case Counts rise to elevated levels, we will institute **temporary** mitigation measures. Please see below.

Level of Community Transmission:

Indicator - If the two indicators suggest different transmission levels, the higher level is selected	Low Transmission Blue	Moderate Transmission Yellow	Substantial Transmission Orange	High Transmission Red
Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days	0-9.99	10-49.99	50-99.99	≥100
Percentage of NAATs ¹ that are positive during the past 7 days	0-4.99%	5-7.99%	8-9.99%	≥10.0%

When the level of Community Transmission is in the High Transmission (Red) category for Wayne County for a period of two (2) consecutive weeks, Face Coverings (masks) will then be required for a period of two (2) weeks. After two (2) weeks, the Community Transmission data will be reviewed for further guidance.

In-School Case Counts:

In the event that positive COVID-19 Case Counts rise and in an effort to keep our school open for full in-person instruction, the following tiered mitigations measures may **temporarily** be implemented in the school setting (while in the Low, Moderate, Substantial categories):

School	Number of cases within a rolling 14-day period	Number of cases within a rolling 14-day period	Number of cases within a rolling 14-day period
Small Schools (<500 students)	<1 case (student/staff): • School remains open	2-4 cases students/staff: • School remains open	5+ cases students/staff: • School remains open

Damascus, Lakeside, Preston, Stourbridge, WHMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face coverings (masks) recommended • Face coverings (masks) required on buses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face coverings (masks) required in school for the duration of five (5) days for all students and staff, regardless of vaccination status. • Face coverings required on buses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face coverings (masks) required in school for the duration of ten (10) days for all students and staff regardless of vaccination status. • Face coverings required on buses
Medium Schools (500-900 students) Honesdale High School	<p>1-3 cases student/staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School remains open • Face coverings (masks) recommended • Face coverings (masks) required on buses 	<p>4-6 cases students/staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School remains open • Face coverings (masks) required in school for the duration of five (5) days for all students and staff, regardless of vaccination status • Face coverings (masks) required on buses 	<p>7+ cases students/staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School remains open • Face coverings (masks) required in school for the duration of 10 days for all students and staff regardless of vaccination status. • Face coverings (masks) required on buses
Large Schools (>900 students)	<p>1-5 cases student/staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School remains open • Face coverings (masks) recommended • Face coverings (masks) required on buses 	<p>6-10 cases student/staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School remains open • Face coverings (masks) required in school for the duration of five (5) days for all students and staff regardless of vaccination status • Face coverings (masks) required on buses 	<p>11+ cases student/staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School remains open • Face coverings (masks) required in school for the duration of 10 days for all students and staff regardless of vaccination status • Face coverings (masks) required on buses

- Cases count toward the rolling ten (10) day period if it was determined through case investigation that there were close contacts in the school setting. Close contacts are defined as persons who have been within 6 ft. for 15-minutes or more of a positive case. People who have been identified as a close contact should quarantine.
- Persons who fall under the following exceptions would not need to quarantine as long as they are symptom free:
 - persons who are fully vaccinated (proof required)
 - persons who have had COVID within the last three months (proof required)
 - In the K-12 indoor classroom setting, the close contact definition excludes students who were within 3 to 6 feet of an infected student (laboratory-confirmed or clinically compatible illness) if both the infected student and exposed student(s) correctly and consistently wore well-fitting masks the entire time.
- When the level of Community Transmission is in the High Transmission (Red) category for Wayne County for a period of two (2) consecutive weeks resulting in Face Coverings (masks) being required for a period of two (2) weeks, then all visitors to district buildings during the school day will also be required to wear masks.