

GREEN

Minimal Community Transmission

3 or FEWER CASES of INFECTION PER 100,000 or 3% OR LESS POSITIVITY RATE (on a 7-day rolling average)

Instruction

- » Continue best health practices to prevent the spread of disease as outlined in the WVDE Re-entry Toolkit.
- » Limit activities where social distancing is not feasible.
- » Engage community to actively participate in continued mitigation.

YELLOW

Increased Community Transmission

3.1 - 9.9 CASES of INFECTION PER 100,000 or 4% OR LESS POSITIVITY RATE (on a 7-day rolling average)

- » Increase student cohorting by limiting exposure outside of core groups.
- » Limit assemblies or large group activities where social distancing is not possible.
- » Local education leaders work with county health officials to determine if increased mitigation and community engagement activities are necessary to prevent escalation of disease.

GOLD

Elevated Community Transmission

10 - 14.9 CASES of INFECTION PER 100,000 or 5% OR LESS POSITIVITY RATE (on a 7-day rolling average)

- » Increase student cohorting by limiting exposure of core groups.
- » No assemblies or large group activities.
- » Local education leaders work with county health officials to determine if increased mitigation and community engagement activities are necessary to prevent escalation of disease.

ORANGE

Heightened Community Transmission

15 - 24.9 CASES of INFECTION PER 100,000

- » Suspend in-person instruction and activate remote learning following the release of the Saturday Metric map.
- » Staff continues essential student support services including meals, student engagement and special education services.

RED

Substantial Community Transmission

25 AND ABOVE CASES of INFECTION PER 100,000

- » Suspend in-person instruction and all school-related activities immediately and activate remote learning the next school day.
- » Staff continues essential student support services including meals, student engagement and special education services.

Face Covering Requirements

- » Require face coverings* for grades 3 and above on buses and in congregant settings (outside of core groups) where social distancing cannot be maintained.

- » Require face coverings for grades 3-5 on buses and in congregant settings (outside of core groups) where social distancing cannot be maintained. Require face coverings for grades 6 and above at all times.

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Athletic & Extra-curricular Activity Guidance

- » Athletic and extra-curricular activities permit immediate household family members and grandparents.
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- » Schools can only compete in-county or with other gold counties.

- » Athletic and extra-curricular activities limited to conditioning only as defined by WVSSAC.
- » Marching band activities must be limited to outdoors only. Instruments permitted only when students are stationary and distanced in pods.

- » All school-related athletic and extra-curricular activities are suspended immediately.

REMEMBER THE 3 Cs: AVOID CLOSE, CONSTANT CONTACT.

Counties that choose remote learning contrary to the guidance issued by the WVDHHR and WVDE will automatically place themselves in red. As a result, all in-person instruction, and extra-curricular and athletic activities will be suspended.

***This guidance reinforces face coverings unless they aggravate existing health conditions. If COVID-19 levels increase steadily within color bands according to WV DHHR data, counties should consider increased protocols beyond these requirements.**