

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.

Hamilton County as of 1/6/2021

	BLUE (minimal community spread)	YELLOW (moderate community spread)	ORANGE (moderate to high community spread)	RED (high community spread)
PRE K-12 RECOMMENDATIONS				
SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools may operate all grades in-person, taking proper precautions including maximizing social distancing, focusing on hand hygiene, and wearing masks. * Limit activities where social distancing is not feasible. No gatherings over 250 people. 	<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, focusing on hand hygiene, and wearing masks. * No assemblies or activities where social distancing is not feasible. No gatherings over 100 people. 	<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 department and include consideration of the ability to maintain social distancing, enforce hand hygiene and wearing of masks. No assemblies or large group activities. No gatherings over 50 people. 	<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. No gatherings over 25 people.
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extracurricular activities are limited to 25 percent capacity. All non-competing and non-performing participants and spectators must wear face coverings per Executive Order 20-50. 	<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 and spectators must wear face coverings per Executive Order 20-50. 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 and spectators must wear face coverings per Executive Order 20-50. 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 K-12 extra-curricular and co-curricular activities is limited to participants, support personnel, parents/guardians and younger siblings, in consultation with local health officials. All non-competing and non-performing participants and spectators must wear face coverings per Executive Order 20-50. Be vigilant about precautions for extracurricular activities and postpone or cancel activities as warranted.
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage community to actively participate in continued precautions. Limit social activities to participants, parents and minor children. 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 20-50 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. Limit social activities to participants, parents and minor children. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school. Follow guidance in Executive Order 20-50 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. Limit social activities to participants, parents and minor children. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discourage social events. Follow guidance in Executive Order 20-50 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.