





Alexandria Public Schools

Mitigation Guide

Our focus is maintaining in person learning for all students while adjusting mitigation strategies given our local data. Our COVID Advisory Team will meet on a weekly basis to consider the data and implement any changes to our mitigation measures or adjustment in our tiers.

				
	TIER I	TIER II	TIER III	TIER IV
CDC Transmission Tiers	Less than 5% positivity rate and fewer than 4 new cases per 40,000 people	County Rates: 5-7% positivity rate or 4-20 cases new cases per 40,000 people	County Rates: 7-10% + positivity rate or 20-40 new cases per 40,000 people	County Rates: 10% + positivity rate or 40 new cases per 40,000 people
New COVID cases in Douglas County in the past 14 days	0-19.99	20-29.99	30-49.99	50 and up
School Data (transmission defined by student to student or student to staff or staff to staff)	Low transmission in schools	Moderate transmission	Substantial transmission in schools	High transmission in schools
Face Coverings	Encouraged	Strongly recommended for all	Required for K-6 students and all staff	Required for K-6 and all staff, Monitoring school transmission data - school transmission will move to required for 7-12 if needed
Close Contact/ Quarantine	Notify any staff, student or family members of a close contact with a positive case and ask them to monitor their symptoms closely	Follow MDH guidelines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students: 6 ft or less for 15 minutes for students, 7,10, 14 day options. (Exempt if both students are masked or if close contact is vaccinated) Staff: 6 ft or less for more than 15 minutes, if not vaccinated, 7, 10, 14 day options 	Follow MDH guidelines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students: 6 ft or less for 15 minutes for students, 7,10, 14 day options. (Exempt if both students are masked or if close contact is vaccinated) Staff: 6 ft or less for more than 15 minutes, if not vaccinated, 7, 10, 14 day options 	Follow MDH guidelines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students: 6 ft or less for 15 minutes for students, 7,10, 14 day options. (Exempt if both students are masked or if close contact is vaccinated) Staff: 6 ft or less for more than 15 minutes, if not vaccinated, 7, 10, 14 day options

Distancing	None	Increased distancing whenever possible	Staff: Move to all virtual meetings when distancing is not possible	Staff: Move to all virtual meetings when distancing is not possible
Cohorting	None	Increased cohorting when possible	Reduce movement outside of cohort of students to the extent possible	Reduce movement outside of cohort of students to the extent possible
Meals	Standard meal practices	Standard meal practices	Adjustment of meal practices (classrooms / more tables for greater distance,etc)	Adjustment of meal practices (classrooms / more tables for greater distance,etc)
Visitors/Volunteers	Normal practices	Normal practices, face coverings encouraged	Normal practices, face coverings required	Restricted access, only those connected to curriculum
The mitigation measures below are present across all tiers				
HVAC	Systems are running to maximize air flow and monitor air quality			
Cleaning	Routine cleaning is scheduled when students and teachers are not occupying the space.			
Screening	Self-Screening for symptoms of illness is a practice that keeps us all safe. If you are ill, stay home.			
Healthy Behaviors / Hygiene	Educating students and staff in preventive care/ healthy hygiene practices			
COVID Positive Cases	Positive COVID cases must be isolated for the required period of time per MDH			
Transportation	Face covering required on transportation through January 18, 2022 per CDC.			