

# 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.

PRE K-12 RECOMMENDATIONS	<b>BLUE</b> (minimal community spread)	<b>YELLOW</b> (moderate community spread)	<b>ORANGE</b> (moderate to high community spread)	<b>RED</b> (high community spread)
SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schools may operate all grades in-person school taking all proper precautions including maximizing social distancing, focus on hand hygiene, and masks. *</li> <li>• Limit activities where social distancing is not feasible.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schools may continue all grades in-person school but should be vigilant in taking all proper precautions including maximizing social distancing, focus on hand hygiene, and masks. *</li> <li>• No assemblies or activities where social distancing is not feasible.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade schools may remain in-person.</li> <li>• Strong recommendation for hybrid learning for middle and high school students to allow for more social distancing in school. Continue to focus on hand hygiene and masks. *, **</li> <li>• No assemblies or large group activities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grade schools may remain in-person or consider hybrid learning to allow for more social distancing.</li> <li>• Middle and high schools should consider virtual learning or continue with hybrid with strict social distancing and mask guidelines. *, **</li> <li>• No assemblies or large group activities.</li> </ul>
EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extracurricular activities to follow state and local event gathering guidelines with social distancing and masks except when doing strenuous activity.</li> <li>• Limit spectators in accordance with state and local guidelines.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be vigilant about precautions for extra-curricular activities and postpone or cancel activities as warranted.</li> <li>• Athletic and extra-curricular activities should consider permitting parents/ guardians and close family only.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strong recommendation to limit extra-curricular activities and consider events with competitors/participants only, no in-person attendees.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extracurricular activities should be canceled.</li> </ul>
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engage community to actively participate in continued precautions.</li> <li>• Discussion with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school.</li> <li>• Local education leaders work with county health officials to determine if increased precautions and community engagement activities are necessary to prevent escalation of disease.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school.</li> <li>• Local county education leaders will work collaboratively with local health departments to consider implementation of aggressive precaution measures both in schools and communities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discourage social events.</li> <li>• Local county education leaders will work collaboratively with local health departments to consider implementation of aggressive precaution measures both in schools and communities.</li> </ul>

\* 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.