



2022-2023 MSD of Pike Township COVID-19 Mitigation Plan



Table of Contents

Disinfecting/Cleaning	3
Masks	3
Health and Safety	3-4
Metrics for in Person Instruction	4
COVID 19 Protocols	4-5
Resources	5
Transportation	5

COVID-19 continues to impact our school community. Decisions in the 2022-2023 COVID-19 Mitigation Plan were made with the most recent information available from the Center for Disease Control, Indiana State Health Department, and Marion County Public Health Department. No single action or set of actions will completely eliminate the risk of COVID-19 transmission, but implementation of several coordinated interventions can greatly reduce that risk. This plan may be adjusted as needed.

Disinfecting/Cleaning

- Schools will offer extended opportunities for adequate handwashing.
- Additional options for the use of hand sanitizer will be available for staff and students.
- High touch common areas will be disinfected throughout the day.
- Student-friendly disinfectant wipes for surfaces will be available in the classroom.
- District-wide cleaning and disinfecting procedures will be implemented in each school facility.
- Staff members who are responsible for cleaning and disinfecting will receive training on specialized equipment and products.
- Staff members will teach and reinforce practices for reducing the risk of COVID-19.
- Teamwork will be encouraged to stay on top of frequently touched areas.
 - Custodians will implement a routine process.
 - Students may participate in cleaning their area or items and best practices to reduce risk of infection.
- Teachers will have hand sanitizer available in the classroom. Hand sanitation stations will be located in middle and high school hallways for use during passing periods.
- Cleaning wipes will be available for classrooms where students are eating or have items that are shared, i.e. microscope, computers.
- Specialized machines have been purchased to quickly disinfect areas.
- No wipe disinfectant sprays have been purchased to use after each bus tier and available to schools as needed.
- UV lighting will be available for disinfecting.
- Technology - Wipes may be used on keyboards. Specialized screen wipes are needed for monitors and screens.

Masks

- Masks are optional, regardless of vaccination status.

Health and Safety

- Each school will have a designated contact person for reporting COVID-19 cases to the MCPHD.
- All students and staff must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.
- Each school facility will have a school health contact person responsible for:
 - Updating a district-wide reporting document for maintaining COVID-19 exposure and illness.

- Monitoring students by family codes in Skyward
- Principals will be responsible for notifying the Superintendent regarding each positive case of COVID-19
- Maintaining a school tracking document
- Following HIPAA regulations
- Notifying staff and parents when directed by MCPHD

Metrics for in Person Instruction

- The Pike metrics will include % positivity rate and the total number of people tested.
- The Indiana State Health Department data and resources will be used to monitor the percent positive cases.
 - [Indiana COVID-19 Dashboard](#)
- The MSD of Pike Township will consider data from the Indiana State Health Department, the Marion County Public Health Department, and school based data to determine in-person vs. remote learning.
- The MSD of Pike Township will follow the Marion County Public Health Department’s Guidance for Re-opening School

COVID 19 Protocols

Possible COVID 19 Scenarios	Action To Be Taken
<p>Test Positive for COVID-19 for students and staff</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Days 1-5: Individuals must remain home for (5) calendar days following the onset of symptoms. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If asymptomatic, remain home (5) days after a positive test. ○ Please note that day one is calculated as the day after symptoms started or if asymptomatic, the day after a positive test. ● Days 6-10: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Return to school on day (6), if asymptomatic and are fever-free for at least 24 hours. ○ On day (6), if symptomatic, remain home until symptoms are improving and are fever-free for at least 24 hours. ○ Masks should be worn, at school, for days 6-10.

<p>Students/Staff classified as a close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case.</p> <p>Close Contact Classifications</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regardless of vaccination status, you do not need to quarantine. ● Individuals should wear a mask for 10 days. ● It is recommended to receive testing 5 days after exposure or sooner, if symptomatic.
<p>Pending COVID-19 Test Result (exhibiting symptoms)</p> <p>CDC Symptoms of Coronavirus</p>	<p>Remain at home (Isolate)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Do not report to school until the test result is received and is negative for COVID-19 and/or are symptom free for at least 24 hours. ● If the test is positive, follow isolation protocols. ● If not tested, return to school when fever free for 24 hours without the use of medication and symptoms have subsided.

Resources

- [American Academy of Pediatrics Recommendations](#)
- [CDC Guidance, COVID-19 K-12 Schools and Child Care Programs](#)
- [Indiana State Department of Health Resources](#)
- [Marion County Public Health Department Guidelines](#)
- [CDC Symptoms of Coronavirus](#)
- [COVID 19 Testing Information](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccination in Indiana](#)
- [Free At-Home COVID-19 tests](#)

Transportation

- Bus drivers will provide hand sanitizer when students enter the bus prior to sitting.
- Students are to sit in assigned seats.
- Buses will be disinfected on a regular rotation.
- When feasible, windows will be open on buses for cross ventilation.