

Mitigation Protocols and Safety Measures Report BOE Meeting

August 9, 2021

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Moving Forward 2021-22 BOE Approval | July 26, 2021

Learning Model Dashboard and Metrics

| Category | Factors | 8/8 | | | | | |
|---|--|----------------------------------|------|--|--|--|--|
| Environmental Factors (monitored daily, summarized weekly) Exact Data, Current | Student Absences Related to COVID-19 (see Page 5) | | | | | | |
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| | Substitute Availability | | | | | | |
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| | Mask Wearing | | | | | | |
| | Cohorting/Social Distancing | | | | | | |
| | Virtual Learning Functionality | | | | | | |
| Medical/Health Factors (monitored weekly) Trending, Lagging | Case Burden | Case Burden Rate – Franklin | 139 | | | | |
| | | Case Burden Rate - Greenfield | 84 | | | | |
| | | Case Burden Rate - Hales Corners | 132 | | | | |
| | % Positive Test (MKE County) past week | | 9.9 | | | | |
| | Hospital ICU Status (MKE County) | | | | | | |
| | Hospital % of Admitted Patients (MKE County) | | | | | | |
| | Contact Tracing Capacity | | | | | | |
| | R (reproductive) Data (MKE County Suburbs) | | 1.78 | | | | |

Data Updated

WHITNALL SCHOOL DISTRICT COVID CASE DASHBOARD



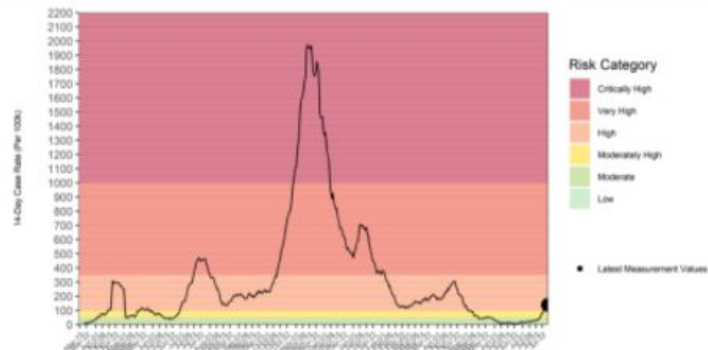
Today's Date
8/9/2021

| | Students | | | Staff ^a | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------|-----|--------------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| | ISOLATION | QUARANTINE | | EDUCATORS | | SUPPORT | |
| | | | | ISOLATION | QUARANTINE | ISOLATION | QUARANTINE |
| Edgerton Elementary | * | * | EES | * | * | * | * |
| Hales Corners Elementary | * | * | HCE | * | * | * | * |
| Whitnall Middle School | * | * | WMS | * | * | * | * |
| Whitnall High School | * | * | WHS | * | * | * | * |
| TOTALS | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

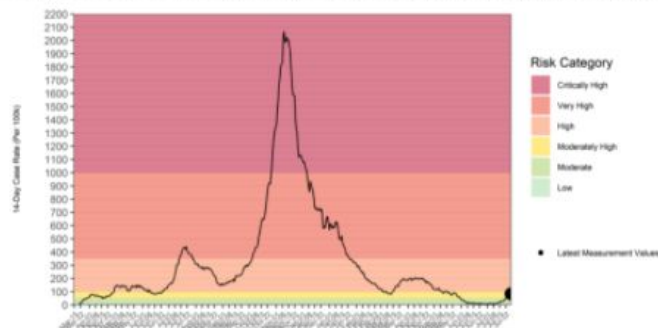
Notes:

- ~ Totals that are less than five are not reflected to protect the privacy of individuals.
- ~ Isolation data reflects the number of individuals who have tested positive and are, therefore, in isolation. Isolation numbers may be a result of exposure at home, at school or in the community.
- ~ Quarantine data reflects the number of individuals who have only been in close contact and are in quarantine.

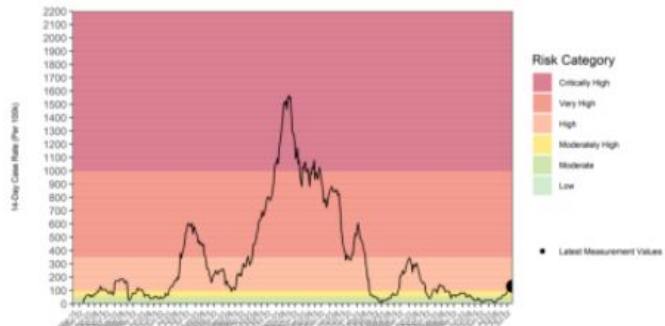
COVID-19 CASE BURDEN PLOT: Franklin (latest 14-day Burden Rate is 139 per 100,000)



COVID-19 CASE BURDEN PLOT: Greenfield (latest 14-day Burden Rate is 84 per 100,000)



COVID-19 CASE BURDEN PLOT: Hales Corners (latest 14-day Burden Rate is 132 per 100,000)



Greenfield and Hales Corners COVID-19 Testing & Burden Data

8/5/2021

NOTE: This report includes data through August 5, 2021, unless otherwise noted. Additionally, we know that the data lags at times depending on the speed of reporting from area laboratories. For this reason, we reflect the data for the most recent 7 days as pending. Data older than 5-7 days is typically very stable and will not change significantly.

COVID -19 TESTING DATA: Select Milwaukee County municipalities

| | OVERALL: 3/1/20 – 8/5/21 | | 14-day: 7/21/21 – 8/3/21 | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| <i>Jurisdiction</i> | <i>Total Tests</i> | <i>Percent Positive</i> | <i>Total Tests</i> | <i>Percent Positive</i> |
| All Milwaukee County | 1,538,572 | 8.1 | 32,540 | 9.9 |
| Greenfield | 62,166 | 8.3 | 1,248 | 7.3 |
| Hales Corners | 11488 | 9.4 | 176 | 15.3 |
| Franklin | 54,338 | 9.2 | 1,263 | 9.2 |

More recently, data over the past two weeks indicates that the countywide COVID-19 testing percent positivity is now 9.9% compared to 1.0% for the two weeks at the end of June.

Federal and State COVID-19 Guidance



- The CDC released updated guidance to the previous July 9, 2021 guidance | July 28, 2021
 - [Guidance for COVID-19 Prevention in K-12 Schools](#)
- The DPI released a 16-page guide to help districts keep students and staff safe during in-person instruction this fall | August 4, 2021
 - [COVID-19 Infection Control and Mitigation Measures for Wisconsin Schools](#)
- The DHS released a 51-page guide for districts for 2021-22 | August 2021
 - [Guidelines for the Prevention, Investigation, and Control of COVID-19 Outbreaks in K-12 Schools in Wisconsin](#)
 - [Recording](#) of DHS webinar for local public health and school stakeholders | August 5, 2021

Local Guidance

- Public media release and memo to superintendents from Milwaukee County Health Departments | August 5, 2021

The local health officials supporting universal masking in schools include:

- City of Cudahy - Heather Puente, MPH
- City of Franklin - Lauren Gottlieb, MPH, CHES (interim)
- City of Greenfield - Darren Rausch, MS, CPH
- City of Milwaukee - Kirsten Johnson, MPH, CPH, CHES
- City of Oak Creek - Darcy DuBois, MPH
- City of Wauwatosa - Laura Stephens, MPH
- Village of Greendale/Hales Corners - Susan Sheppard, MSN, BSN, RN
- North Shore (Bayside, Brown Deer, Fox Point, Glendale, River Hills, Shorewood, and Whitefish Bay) - Kathleen Platt, BSN, RN
- South Milwaukee/St. Francis - Jackie Ove, MS, BSN, RN
- West Allis/West Milwaukee - Robert Leischow, MPH

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Milwaukee County Public Health Officers Recommend Universal Masking in Schools
As Delta variant cases surge, data shows fourteen-fold increase in cases among children

MILWAUKEE - (August 5, 2021) - As school boards meet and prepare for the 2021-22 school year, local health department officials in Milwaukee County unanimously recommend the implementation of universal masking requirements for teachers, staff, students and visitors in K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status. This recommendation is in alignment with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS).

Since the beginning of July, Milwaukee County has seen a 14-fold increase in cases among children under 18 years old. Because of this, local public health officials are urging parents, teachers, staff, students and visitors to take steps to keep children safe and healthy. The Delta variant is a more contagious strain of COVID-19, and a layered approach to protection on top of vaccination is needed to keep children safe and healthy.

Given new evidence on the Delta variant, on July 27, following suit with the AAP, physical distancing, enhanced ventilation and universal indoor masking and a layered approach to protection on top of vaccination is needed to keep children safe and healthy.

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MEMO

To: Superintendents in Suburban Milwaukee County School Districts
From: Health Officers from Milwaukee County Health Departments
Date: August 5, 2021
RE: Update to COVID-19 recommendations for Schools Shared (originally on July 14, 2021)

The American Academy of Pediatrics and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have committed to making in-person schooling a priority for the 2021-2022 academic year. In-person school is a goal supported by local health departments as well.

This goal is now easier to attain, compared to a year ago, due to several factors including a better understanding of COVID-19, increasing community vaccination rates, and the anticipation of vaccine availability for children under 12 years of age in fall. Yet, despite our increasing knowledge of COVID-19, the new Delta variant has demonstrated increased transmissibility and has demonstrated a commitment to using all available layers of protection to lessen the spread of disease.

- Vaccination is the most important prevention strategy for those currently eligible.
 - Vaccination provides protection against COVID-19 and new variants, but also eliminates the need for quarantine if exposed.
 - Pharmacies, medical clinics, and public health continue to have COVID-19 vaccine available for those interested in vaccination.
- Masks are universally recommended to be worn indoors.
 - Masks continue to provide reduced viral transmission and provide protection to the wearer and those around them.
 - In school settings many students are not currently eligible for vaccine due to their age (NOTE: vaccine only currently authorized for those 12 years and older).
 - This is aligned with guidance from the American Academy of Pediatrics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. Updated CDC guidance is available here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/k-12-guidance.html>.