

Recommendations for Pre-K to 12 Schools Following Identification of a case(s) of COVID-19
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Recommendations for Small (<500 Students) Pre-K to 12 School Buildings Following Identification of a Case(s) of COVID-19

(Bellaire, Crestview, Hamilton, LeTort, Mooreland, Mt. Holly Springs, North Dickinson)

Level of Community Transmission in the County	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a rolling 14-day period: 1 student or 1 staff	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a rolling 14-day period: 2-4 students/staff in same school building who are not household contacts	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a rolling 14-day period: 5+ students/staff in same school building
Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School does not need to close Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 3-5 days* Clean area(s) where cases spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school(s) Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine
Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School does not need to close Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 3-7 days* Clean area(s) where cases spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school(s) Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine
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Recommendations for Medium (500-900 students) Pre-K to 12 School Buildings Following Identification of a Case(s) of COVID-19
(Lamberton, Wilson)

Level of Community Transmission in the County	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a rolling 14-day period: 1-3 students or staff	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a rolling 14-day period: 4-6 students/staff in same school building who are not household contacts	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a rolling 14-day period: 7+ students/staff in same school building
Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School does not need to close Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 3-5 days* Clean area(s) where cases spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school(s) Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine
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Recommendations for Large (>900 students)) Pre-K to 12 School Buildings Following Identification of a Case(s) of COVID-19
(Carlisle High School)

Level of Community Transmission in the County	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a rolling 14-day period: 1-5 students or staff	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a rolling 14-day period: 6-10 students/staff in same school building who are not household contacts	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a rolling 14-day period: 11+ students/staff in same school building
Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School does not need to close Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 3-5 days* Clean area(s) where cases spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school(s) Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine
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