

# Naperville 203 Start of School Plans

**2021-2022 School Year** 

#### Outcome

Update the Board of Education and Community on the current plans for beginning the 2021-2022 school year



#### Goals for 2021-2022

Develop and implement a plan that can be flexible and responsive to the changing conditions of the pandemic

Ensure safe and secure learning/work space conditions for all students and staff aligned with public health and ISBE guidelines



# **Guiding Principles**

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# **Ongoing Challenges**

- Families and the District need time to prepare for the 2021-2022 school year
- Conflicting opinions on mitigation strategies
- Balancing individual decisions with ensuring a safe learning environment for everyone
- Guidance from national, state, and local agencies has changed and continues to change frequently



#### Major Updates to Guidance for Schools

- Emphasis on importance of in-person learning
- Emphasis on appropriate, layered mitigation strategies
- Promotion of vaccination https://www.vaccines.gov/search/
- Alignment of masking recommendations for schools with CDC guidance
- Revised definition of close contacts to guide quarantine and alternates to quarantine
- More flexibility related to local decision making



#### Instructional Plan

Per CDC guidance and ISBE declaration, all students will return to in-person instruction, with a full schedule, five days per week



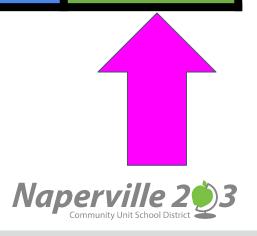
#### Restore Illinois Plan

Phase 1 Rapid Spread Phase 2 Flattening

Phase 3
Recovery

Phase 4
Revitalization

Phase 5
Restored



#### **Transmission Levels**

INDICATOR	LOW TRANSMISSION (BLUE)	MODERATE TRANSMISSION (YELLOW)	SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION (ORANGE)	HIGH TRANSMISSION (RED)
Total new cases per 100,000 in the past 7 days	0-9.99	10-49.99	50-99.99	>99.99
Percentage of positive tests in the past 7 days	0-4.99%	5-7.99%	8-9.99%	>9.99%



#### **Current Local Metrics**

INDICATOR	LOW TRANSMISSION (BLUE)	MODERATE TRANSMISSION (YELLOW)	SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION (ORANGE)	HIGH TRANSMISSION (RED)
Total new cases per 100,000 in the past 7 days			56.4 (203) 59.16 (DuPage)	
Percentage of positive tests in the past 7 days	3.57% (203) 4.01 % (DuPage)			

Source: Northwestern Medicine

Date: July 28, 2021



#### Rationale for Plan

- Alignment to CDC/IDPH/ISBE guidance
- Local decision making aligned to local conditions
- Emphasizes safe, in-person learning for all students
- High vaccination rate among those eligible, yet large number of students currently ineligible
- Community transmission rate
- Layered prevention and mitigation strategies



Mitigation Strategies\* /

MITIGATION STRATEGY	LOW TRANSMISSION (BLUE)	MODERATE TRANSMISSION (YELLOW)	SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION (ORANGE)	HIGH TRANSMISSION (RED)	
Promote vaccination	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Stay home when sick	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Self-monitor for symptoms	YES	YES	YES	YES	
Physical distancing to extent possible	YES	YES	YES	YES	



<sup>\*</sup>As of 8/2/21 based on current guidance

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Handwashing & Respiratory Etiquette	YES	YES	YES YES				
Cleaning strategies	Aligned to public health guidance - additional practices based on higher transmission levels						



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MITIGATION STRATEGY	LOW TRANSMISSION (BLUE)		MODERATE TRANSMISSION (YELLOW)		SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION (ORANGE)		HIGH TRANSMISSION (RED)		
	VACCINE	NO VACCINE	VACCINE	NO VACCINE	VACCINE	NO VACCINE	V	ACCINE	NO VACCINE
Surveillance Testing	NO	NO	NO	OPTIONA.	OPTIONAL	OPTIONAL	QI	PTIONAL	OPTIONAL
Mask in school	To be determined in consultation with local health department				REQUIRED FOR ALL	REQUIRED FOR ALL		QUIRED OR ALL	REQUIRED FOR ALL
Mask outside	NOT REQUIRED	NOT REQUIRED	NOT REQUIRED	NOT REQUIRED	NOT REQUIRED	RECOMMENDED	REC	OMMENDED	RECOMMENDED
Mask - IHSA	Continue to follow IHSA/IDPH guidance								
Mask on bus	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES		YES	YES
Mask - guests	To be determined in consultation with local health department				REQUIRED FOR ALL	REQUIRED FOR ALL	REQUIRED FOR ALL		REQUIRED FOR ALL

#### **Close Contacts**

- Adults: not fully vaccinated, within 6' of infected person for cumulative total of 15 mins or more over 24-hour period
- Classroom Students: within 3'-6' of infected student are not close contact as long as consistent & correct mask use and other strategies are in place
- If students were not consistently masked, close contacts are classroom students who were within 6' for 15 mins or more over 24-hour period



### Quarantine

- Someone who has been fully vaccinated and shows no symptoms is not required to quarantine if identified as a close contact
- We will be offering an opportunity for parents/guardians to voluntarily share their student's vaccination status
- Someone who has had COVID-19 within previous 3 months, has recovered, and remains asymptomatic is not required to quarantine
- Those individuals should self-monitor for 14 days after exposure



# Quarantine

In the K-12 indoor classroom setting, the close contact definition *excludes* students who were within 3' to 6' of an infected student where:

- Both students were engaged in consistent and correct use of well-fitting masks; AND
- Other prevention strategies are in place in the school setting.

#### **Learning Support During Quarantine**

A short term alternate learning option will be available for students who meet the criteria identified by the ISBE

- Students who are not vaccinated AND
- Under quarantine orders from the DCHD/IDPH

Secondary alternate learning options will include asynchronous work coupled with teacher check ins for students in 6th - 12th grade.

Elementary alternate learning options will include asynchronous learning activities and remote access to academic support from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. as needed.



# Home/Hospital Instruction

- → Provides minimally 5 hours of instruction each week to students who are *medically unable to attend school*
- → Requires Physician certification
- → Applications reviewed by school teams to make final decisions regarding student services



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