PA Department of Education Recommendations for Pre-K to 12 Schools Following Identification of a Case(s) of COVID-19

As of 11/25/20

The Academy, Sixth Grade Center, and all Elementary Schools

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	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a Rolling 14-day period 5+ students/staff in same school building
Low	 School does not need to close Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	 Close school(s) for 3-5 days* Clean area(s) where cases spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	 Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school(s) Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine
Moderate	 School does not need to close Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	 Close school(s) for 3-7 days* Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school(s) Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine
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Strayer Middle School

Recommendations for Medium (500-900 Students) Pre-K to 12 School Buildings Following Identification of a Case(s) of COVID-19						
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	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a Rolling 14-day period 7+ students/staff in same school building			
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Senior High School

Recommendations for Large (>500 Students) Pre-K to 12 School Buildings Following Identification of a Case(s) of COVID-19					
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	Number of Cases of COVID-19 Within a Rolling 14-day period 11+ students/staff in same school building		
Low	 School does not need to close Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	 Close school(s) for 3-5 days* Clean area(s) where cases spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	 Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school(s) Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 		
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