

Reopening of School District of Lodi Grounds on July 6, 2020

The State of Wisconsin closed all school and school grounds through June 30, 2020. As we slowly start to consider the reopening of school grounds, our goal continues to be to keep our students, our staff, and our community members safe and healthy. We will work to slowly reopen our school grounds in a way that protects our public's health while working on building a foundation for what school may look like during the 2020-21 school year. Our plan is being built in conjunction with Public Health Madison and Dane County and Columbia County Public Health and is meant to aid the district and community to think about how and when various school level activities can be reopened, along with how mitigation strategies play a role in this phased opening. This document is not meant to replace county, state or federal guidance but rather to supplement it with localized considerations. *We will use this plan to think through situations specific to slowly reopening our schools grounds and buildings for school or school based groups. School facilities will remain closed to community and other outside groups at this time with the exception of CREW programming.*

As we begin the process of reopening school grounds, individuals need to remember the appropriate steps to mitigate their risk of contracting or spreading the COVID-19 virus. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus.

Individuals should monitor and stay home if they have any of the following symptoms that are new or not typical for them during this time of year. They should also consider seeking an evaluation from their healthcare provider to see if you can be cleared medically or obtain a COVID-19 test.

1. Cough
2. Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
3. Fever at or above 100.4°F
4. Chills
5. Muscle pain
6. Sore throat
7. New loss of taste or smell
8. Nausea
9. Vomiting
10. Diarrhea

Symptomatic people (regardless of a confirmed COVID-19 test) are allowed back on school grounds or in school buildings after all 3 of these things have happened:

- No fever for at least 72 hours (three full days of no fever without the use of medicine that reduces fevers) AND
- Other symptoms have improved (for example, your cough or shortness of breath have improved) AND
- At least 10 days have passed since your symptoms first appeared

If an individual was exposed to a person diagnosed with COVID-19, he or she should self-quarantine for 14 days. This means you should avoid leaving your home as much as possible; you are not allowed on school grounds or in school buildings during this time period. If you do not develop symptoms (cough, shortness of breath, sore throat) or a fever greater than 100.4 °F, you are allowed on school grounds 14 days after the exposure. If you develop symptoms during quarantine, immediately isolate yourself to a separate room or away from other family members, contact your health care provider and follow the guidelines for symptomatic people above.

How to Protect Yourself and Others

It is the expectation for individuals on school grounds or using school facilities to do the following to ensure their safety, the safety of the members of their household, and the safety of the public:

1. Maintain physical distancing of six (6) feet between individuals who are not members of the same living unit or household, to the greatest extent possible
2. Wash hands with soap and water for at least twenty (20) seconds as frequently as possible or use hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol
3. Cover coughs or sneezes (cough or sneeze into the sleeve or elbow, wash hands as needed)
4. Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces frequently
5. Do not shake hands, fist bump or high five with others. Hand waves are welcome.
6. Follow all Columbia County and Public Health Madison and Dane County requirements
7. Consider wearing a face covering in public, especially where it is difficult to maintain physical distancing

Group Size

Per Phase 2 of Public Health Madison and Dane County Forward Dane reopening plan, group sizes are limited to the following:

1. Group Pods: Individual groups or classrooms cannot contain more than fifteen (15) children if the children are age 12 or under. Please be mindful of 6 foot social distancing.
2. Group Pods: Individual groups or classrooms cannot contain more than twenty five (25) children if age 13 or older. Please be mindful of 6 foot social distancing.
3. A gathering of participants outside is permitted with one hundred (100) individuals or less. Individuals must maintain physical distancing. You can have multiple pods in one area as long as they are distanced and not interacting. Outdoor space must comply with the 100 people limit.

School Facilities Use Procedures

The following links give specific guidance around the use of different school facilities. These are all based on guidance from the [Centers of Disease and Control \(CDC\)](#), [State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#), [Columbia County Public Health](#) and [Public Health Madison and](#)

[Dane County](#). As health officials continue to learn more each day about COVID-19, guidance changes due to new information. To get the most up-to-date guidance, please visit the websites of the organizations listed above.

[Pool](#)

[Weightroom](#)

[Gym](#)

[Playground](#)

[Classroom](#)

[Green Space and Parking Lots](#)

[CREW programming](#)

[Tennis Courts/Track](#)

Please note that this reopening of school grounds is based on Dane County moving to Phase 2 of Public Health Madison and Dane County Forward Dane reopening plan. If Dane County falls back to Phase One after July 5 or during any of these facility accesses, the access and activities will be postponed or cancelled.

Resources:

[Public Health Madison & Dane County Website](#)

[Forward Dane Plan from PHMDC](#)

- [Phase 2 document \(June 12, 2020\)](#)
- [Phase 2 sports guidance \(June 12, 2020\)](#)

[CDC reopening schools May 15, 2020](#)

[CDC Considerations for schools \(5-19-20\)](#)

[CDC Considerations for Youth Sports](#)

[WI DPI Interim Covid-19 Infection control and mitigation measures for schools \(5-21-20\)](#)

[WEDC-General Guidance for all Businesses](#)

[WEDC-Reopen Guidelines](#)

- [Transportation](#)
- [Public Facilities](#)
- [Gyms and Fitness Facilities](#)

[Guidance for opening up high school athletics and activities](#)