OWATONNA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Minnesota Department of Health
Decision-Making Tools

Formula for Determining Number of Cases

| Total number of cases for last 14 days | ÷ | County population / 10,000 | = | 14-day county case level rate per 10,000 |

Decision Framework

Increasing viral activity

Distance Learning

Hybrid

In-Person

Increasing public school preparedness and capacity to implement mitigation strategies

How do schools determine their safe learning model?
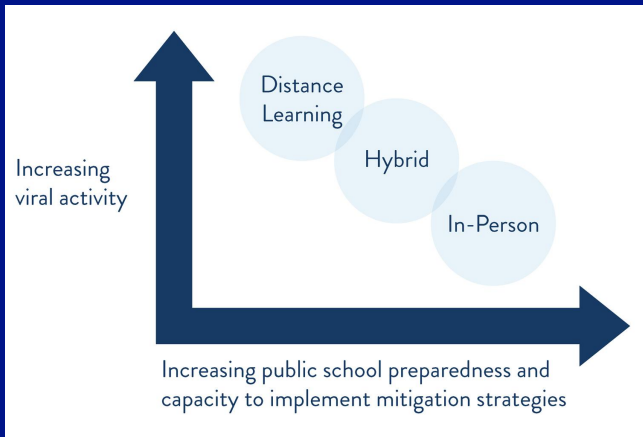
STEP 1 — Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) will use data from counties to determine a base learning model for public schools.

STEP 2 — Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) will share county data and the consultative process for public schools to engage with education and public health experts to review their county health data and safe learning plans.

STEP 3 — Public schools, with their incident command team, will evaluate their ability to implement required and recommended health best practices.

STEP 4 — Public schools, in consultation with public health, will determine a learning model to begin the school year and communicate that decision with their school community.*

STEP 5 — Public schools and MDH will monitor the community and school-level impact of COVID-19 on a regular basis. Adjustments will be made to the learning model if needed.

Number of cases per 10,000 over 14 days, by county of residence	Learning Model
0-9	In-person learning for all students
10-19	In-person learning for elementary students; hybrid learning for secondary students
20-29	Hybrid learning for all students
30-49	Hybrid learning for elementary students; distance learning for secondary students
50+	Distance learning for all students

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