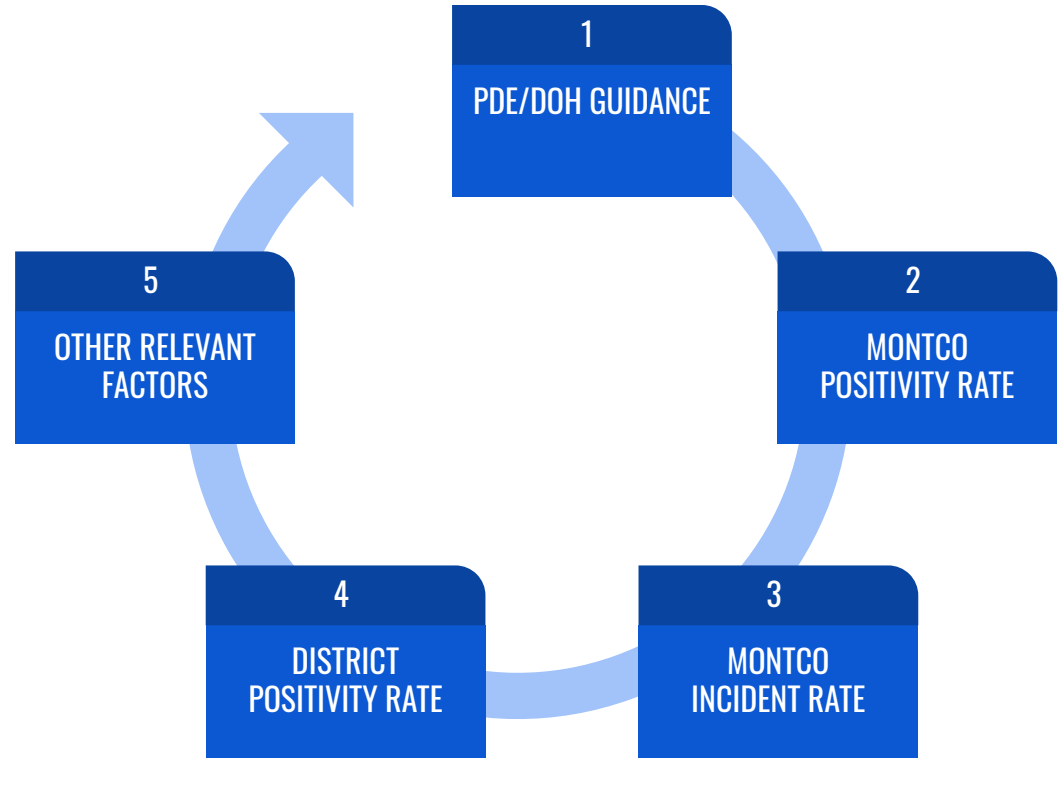


**UPPER
PERKIOMEN
SCHOOL
DISTRICT
INSTRUCTIONAL
MODEL
DISCUSSION
9/25/20**



FACTORS TO CONSIDER

The transition from a full virtual program to either a hybrid or full face to face instructional model will require the board of school directors to examine several factors when making a determination on how to proceed.



PDE and DOH GUIDANCE

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) and the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA DOH) provided the guidance below to school districts that align COVID-19 incidence and positivity rates, by county, to the recommended instructional models to protect the health and safety of students and staff.

Transmission	Most Recent (7 Day) Incidence Rate in County	Qualifier	Most Recent (7 Day) Positivity Rate in County	Recommended Instructional Model(s)
Low	Fewer than 10 cases per 100,000 residents	AND	Less than 5%	Full In-person or Blended*
Moderate	At least 10 but less than 100 cases per 100,000 residents	OR	At least 5% but less than 10%	Blended* or Full Remote**
Substantial	At least 100 or more cases per 100,000 residents	OR	Greater than 10%	Full Remote**

MONTCO POSITIVITY RATE (as of September 18, 2020)

Montgomery County	Week ending 10/16/20	Week ending 10/9/20	Week ending 10/2/20	Week ending 9/25/20	Week ending 9/18/20	Week ending 9/11/20	Week ending 9/4/2020	Week ending 8/28/20
New cases per 100,000 Residents					38.1	37.2	37.8	36.8
Positivity Rate					3.0%	3.3%	3.2%	3.1%

Berks County Rates (as of 9/28/2020):

New Cases per 100,000 Residents - 78.8

Positivity Rate - 6.0%

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<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/indicators.html#thresholds>

Indicators	Lowest Risk	Lower Risk	Moderate Risk	Higher Risk	Highest Risk
	CORE INDICATORS				
# of new cases per 100,000 within last 14 days	<5	5 to <20	20 to <50	50 to <200	200+
% pf RT-PCR tests that are positive during the last 14 days	<3%	3% to <5%	5% to <8%	8% to <10%	10%+
Ability of the school to implement 5 key mitigation strategies 1. Masks 2. Social Distancing 3. Hand Hygiene 4. Clean/Disinfection 5. Contact Tracing with the Health Dept.	Implement all 5 strategies correctly and consistently	Implement all 5 strategies correctly but inconsistently	Implement 3-4 strategies correctly and consistently	Implement 1-2 strategies correctly and consistently	Implement no strategies

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Indicators	Lowest Risk	Lower Risk	Moderate Risk	Higher Risk	Highest Risk
	SECONDARY INDICATORS				
Percent change in new cases per 100,000 population during the last 7 days compared with the previous 7 days (negative values indicate improving trends)	< -10%	-10% to <-5%	-5% to < 0%	0% to <10%	10%+
Percentage of hospital inpatient beds in the community that are occupied by patients with COVID-19	<80%	<80%	80 to 90%	>90%	>90%
Existence of localized community/public setting COVID-19 outbreak	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

SCHOOLS

UPDATE ON SCHOOL REOPENING
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QUESTIONS?