



Onteora Central School District

COVID-19

Informational Meetings
Board of Education
Communications Committee
April 27, 2021

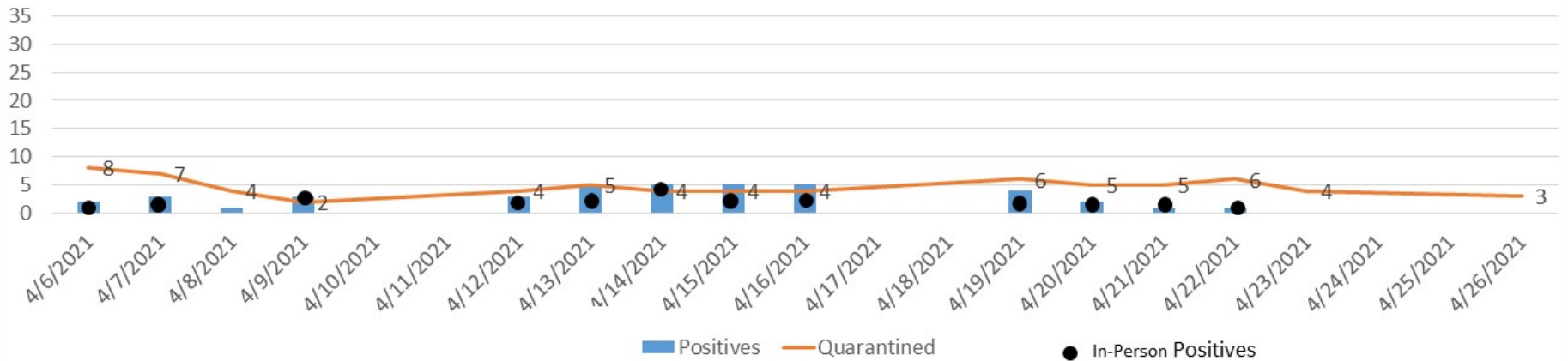


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Daily Positives Quarantines In-Person March 2021



Daily Positives Quarantines In-Person April 2021 to April 23rd





Operational Strategy for Onteora Schools through Phased Prevention

Update of District Impact

Pivot to/ from Fully Remote Learning

- Due to a significant number of First Student (our transportation contractor) staff members that were required to quarantine the District was required to pivot to 100% remote learning last week.
- District was able to resume our in-person learning model on Monday, April 26th.



Operational Strategy for Onteora Schools through Phased Prevention (cont'd)

Elementary Schools

- The K-6 in-person learning students attend five days per week for the entire 2020-2021 school year, while maintaining six feet of social distance space between students and adults.
- Students continue to eat in classrooms and remain in cohorts for specials and recess. This practice will remain the same.
- Modifications to social distancing will be considered on a case by case basis when needed to accommodate additional students returning to the in-person instructional model. In cases where six feet cannot be maintained, the largest possible amount of space will be utilized for social distancing (in no case will it be less than three feet.)
- In cases where the social distancing is reduced in the classroom, students will be provided with a space in which to eat that can accommodate six feet of social distance.



Operational Strategy for Onteora Schools through Phased Prevention (cont'd)

Secondary Schools

- Middle and high schools are on track for students in the hybrid model to be able to attend in-person learning four days per week. The shift to a 4-day-a-week model will be phased in on May 3rd.
- Lunch and cafeteria have been restructured to maintain proper social distancing during lunch as we shift to the 4-day-a-week model.
- Special masks & bell covers have been attained which will allow for vocal and instrumental music performances in our music classes.
- The required addendum to our Re-Opening Plan is scheduled to be submitted to the Ulster County Department of Health this week.



Operational Strategy for Onteora Schools through Phased Prevention (cont'd)

End of Year Celebrations –

- High School – Full class meeting tonight, Tuesday, April 27th at 7:00 pm. Mr. Edelman, senior class officers and their advisors will present preliminary information about end of the year events and potential options for each event. (e.g., prom, scholarship/awards, and graduation). Following the meeting, students will be able to provide feedback and weigh in on various proposals. There will be a survey for the seniors following the meeting so that the entire class can provide their individual feedback.



Operational Strategy for Onteora Schools through Phased Prevention (cont'd)

End of Year Celebrations –

- Middle School & Elementary School – Initial discussions regarding year end celebration options have begun.
- All celebrations will follow NYSDOH guidance (April 12th Update)

Summer Learning

- Secondary Summer School - remote learning model through Ulster BOCES
- Elementary Summer Academy (K-6) – In-person learning model at Bennett



Current Operational Strategy for Onteora Schools through Phased Prevention (cont'd)

Athletics – 2nd full week of Spring sports

High School - April 19th- June 10th (tentative end date)

- **Varsity Baseball**
- **Varsity Girls' Track & Field**
- **Varsity Boys' Track & Field**
- **Varsity Boys' Tennis**
- **Varsity Girls' Golf**
- **Varsity Boys' Golf (changed from Fall)**



Looking ahead to 2021-2022 School Year

- Create forums to serve as a foundation for 2021-2022 reopening plan
- Conduct Surveys of all stakeholders
- Identify “positives” from the past year and build upon them
- Identify “Lessons Learned” from this past year.
- Although yet to receive guidance from the state the process needs to start to ensure involvement and “voice” of all relevant stakeholders.



Looking ahead to 2021-2022 School Year (cont'd)

- Must develop strategies that can quickly be revised and adapted reflective of culturally responsive & sustaining practices
- Preparation must ensure that all feasible, practical and acceptable measures are in place
- Utilize the Board of Regents' lens of framework on diversity, equity, and inclusion (a comprehensive approach taking into account the entirety of the school process – governance, teaching & learning family & community engagement, workforce diversity, diverse schools & learning opportunities, student supports & wellness)



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ULSTER COUNTY DAILY POSITIVITY RATE APRIL 27, 2021

Day	Date	Daily New Cases	Daily # of Tests Administered	Daily Positivity Rate
1	April 19, 2021	34	850	4.0%
2	April 20, 2021	43	1460	2.9%
3	April 21, 2021	46	1579	2.9%
4	April 22, 2021	46	1504	3.1%
5	April 23, 2021	36	1724	2.1%
6	April 24, 2021	36	1893	1.9%
7	April 25, 2021	36	954	3.8%
Totals:		277	9964	

Total New Cases Per 100,000 Persons in the Past 7 Days*	156
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**Total number of new cases per 100,000 persons within the last 7 days is calculated by adding the number of new cases in the county in the last 7 days divided by the population in the county (177,577) and multiplying by 100,000.*



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Resources

Interim Guidance for In-Person Instruction at Pre-K to Grade 12 Schools During The COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (April 9, 2021)

» https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/default/files/atoms/files/Pre-K_to_Grade_12_Schools_MasterGuidance.pdf

Updated Interim Guidance for End of Academic Year Celebrations During the COVID-19 State of Emergency (April 12, 2021)

» https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2021/04/doh_covid19_updatedgraduationguidance_041221.pdf

Ulster County COVID-19 Dashboard

» <https://covid19.ulstercountyny.gov/dashboard/>

Onteora website showing history of COVID-19 cases, presumptive positive cases, and quarantines

» <https://www.onteora.k12.ny.us/about/2020-2021-school-year/letters-about-potential-confirmed-covid-cases>

Onteora Website chart showing positive, quarantine, and in-person positive cases

» <https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1610736998/onteorak12nyus/q8watauhvxn nh8z0nxzq/PostiveCasesw-inpersonquaran.pdf>

Board of Regent's Framework on Diversity, Action, and Inclusion

» <http://www.nysed.gov/news/2021/new-york-state-board-regents-launches-initiative-advance-diversity-equity-and-inclusion>



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