



Re-entry Plan 2021-2022

Board Approved July 13, 2021

Our greater MSD of Wabash County community, consisting of students, families, employees, local businesses, service organizations, and community members, is critically important to the successful continuation of in-person instruction for MSD of Wabash County. This document outlines the ongoing efforts of the greater MSDWC community to operate safe and healthy schools.

Prior to the 2020-2021 school year, MSDWC developed a Re-entry Plan for 2020-2021. As part of the plan development, the MSDWC Board of School Trustees approved:

- the official plan on July 14, 2020, with public comments as per the agenda revisions to the plan
 - July 28 with public comments as per the agenda
 - August 11 with public comments as per the agenda

For School Year 2021-2022, the Executive Order 21-15 states in part, 'As of July 1, 2021, local school boards and/or the relevant governing bodies of all public and private K-12 educational institutions will be responsible for implementing whatever measures and restrictions deemed necessary and prudent to address the impact and spread of COVID-19 for their buildings, facilities, and grounds, to include transportation.'

MSD of Wabash County will return to pre-pandemic standard operational practices that follow School Board policy and student handbook guidelines concerning the health and safety of our students, staff, and school community. We will not require masks for the upcoming school year. The goal is to have no restrictions for students and staff when school resumes in August.

We will continue to monitor local, state, and federal guidance to determine if any revisions to this plan are needed. ****See attached Supplement.**



Supplement to Re-entry Plan 2021-2022

In Accordance with New Executive Order as of August 1, 2021

Board Approved August 10, 2021

Positive Cases

MSD of Wabash County will report known positive cases of students and/or staff prescribed by the Indiana State Department of Health. Students and staff who are COVID-19 positive will follow appropriate protocol and quarantine policies.

Contact Trace

MSDWC will contact trace when a positive case is reported. Parents will be notified by a phone call or phone call via School Messenger/Skylert if their child may have been exposed to a positive case. If asymptomatic, parents will determine if their children will attend school and participate in extracurricular and co-curricular activities based on the current guidance and policies. Staff members who are a close contact and are asymptomatic will determine if they quarantine based on the current guidance and policies. According to the CDC and Indiana State Department of Health, vaccinated asymptomatic students and staff who are determined to be a close contact to a positive case are not required to be quarantined.

Pre-pandemic standard operational practices concerning the health and safety of students, staff, and school community - additional details.

- Masks are optional.
- All rooms and buses will have a seating chart.
- Enhanced cleaning and handwashing procedures will be encouraged and practiced with hand sanitizer stations available.
- Staff and students are expected to conduct at-home, self-screening/monitoring for related symptoms prior to leaving their residence on a daily basis. Students and employees in a household with a confirmed positive case are to remain at home.
- Students and staff will be required to be fever free (less than 100°) for 24 hours without use of fever reducing medication before returning to school.

We will continue to monitor local, state, and federal guidelines to determine if any revisions to this supplement are needed.



Update to Re-entry Plan & Supplement 2021-2022 Quarantine Timelines

Board Approved January 11, 2022

Positive Cases

If student/staff tests positive:

- Quarantine for 5 days
- Return to school Day 6 if asymptomatic or symptoms are resolving and wear a mask for 5 days (if unable to mask properly at all times, must remain isolated at home for full 10 days)
 - Fever-free for 24 hours without medication and other symptoms improving
- No extracurricular activities during 5-day quarantine. May resume extracurricular activities on Day 6 with mask worn at all times for 5 days except when actively performing or actively playing during an extracurricular activity

So, the option of coming back on the 6th day with a mask and the above conditions met or quarantined for 10 days.

Close Contacts to a Positive Household Member

If a student/staff is a close contact to a positive household member:

- Quarantine for 5 days
- Return to school Day 6 if asymptomatic and wear a mask for 5 days (if unable to mask properly at all times, must remain isolated at home for full 10 days)
- No extracurricular activities during 5-day quarantine. May resume extracurricular activities on Day 6 with mask worn at all times for 5 days except when actively performing or actively playing during an extracurricular activity

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Second Update to Re-entry Plan & Supplement 2021-2022 Contact Tracing and Quarantining

Board Approved February 22, 2022

Indiana State Department of Health no longer recommends contact tracing and quarantining in schools effective February 23, 2022. With this recommendation, MSD of Wabash County will no longer contract trace or quarantine close contacts beginning on February 23, 2022.

Schools do not need to report any COVID-19 case information to IDOH, school dashboard will be discontinued.

If an individual tests positive:

Schools should continue to isolate positive individuals for at least 5 days per CDC. (Day 0 is the first day of symptoms or the date of the day of the positive viral test for asymptomatic persons.) People who are in isolation may return to school on day 6 as long as they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications and symptoms have improved. They should wear a mask when around others at home, in public, and at school for an additional 5 days. (Days 6-10).

As with other illnesses, students should not return to school unless they are fever-free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and their symptoms are resolved.