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Derry Township School District  
**HEALTH & SAFETY  
PLAN UPDATE**





## 2021-2022 Health & Safety Plan Update

# KEEPING OUR SCHOOLS OPEN

- In August 2021, Derry Township School District Board of Directors with a recommendation from the Pandemic Response team approved the Health and Safety Plan that required masking for students, staff and visitors throughout all buildings K-12.
- In September 2021, the Governor of Pennsylvania passed a mask mandate for all Pennsylvania schools. This was overturned in December of 2021 and the previously approved DTSD Health and Safety Plan remained in effect.





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- Through the first half of the 2021-2022 school year, we experienced the same surges as our community and country experienced as a result of the Delta and Omicron variants.
- As a result of our universal masking requirement, DTSD was able to remain open throughout the surges and allow for students to continue with in-person learning.
- We recently were also able to provide a large testing center for our students and staff when tests were hard to come by. Testing has helped keep students who were not sick with COVID-19 in school.





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Date	High School	Middle School	Elementary	ECC	District
09/10/2021	7	11	5	2	25
09/17/2021	9	16	32	4	62
09/24/2021	8	14	54	6	83
10/01/2021	6	11	69	8	96
10/08/2021	7	6	23	7	44
10/15/2021	0	1	12	3	16
10/22/2021	4	2	17	5	28
10/29/2021	4	4	11	5	24
11/05/2021	1	4	8	3	16
11/12/2021	1	1	4	5	11
11/19/2021	2	0	6	6	14
11/26/2021	2	0	5	3	10

Green boxes represent 14-day below 1%



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12/10/2021	15	3	8	4	30
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12/24/2021	16	12	4	3	35
12/31/2021	17	15	3	3	38
01/07/2022	46	29	18	12	105
01/14/2022	74	60	33	15	182
01/21/2022	60	64	38	13	175
01/28/2022	36	46	30	16	128
02/04/2022	19	27	20	18	84
02/11/2022	14	17	18	18	67

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# PROPOSED REVISIONS TO PLAN

- Effective February 22, 2022: Masks are strongly encouraged, but not required in all Derry Township School District buildings.
- It is possible that DTSD could return to a mask-required learning environment should building/district transmission rates exceed 3.5% or if legal requirements regarding masking change.
- In accordance with Federal Mandate, masking for students and drivers is required when on a school bus for transportation to and from school or to any school events. When alone, drivers do not need to wear masks.







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- Effective February 22, 2022: Students, staff, and educators who are in close contact with a positive case and are not experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 will not be subject to restriction from school or school activities, regardless of vaccination status.
- Students and staff who test positive for COVID-19 or are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 will be required to isolate for 10 days regardless of vaccination status. Students and staff can choose to participate in “test to return” by testing negative on day 5 or later.
- Contact tracing will not occur during any period of optional masking.



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# MOVING FORWARD

- If passed, the approved health and safety plan will be posted on the website and emailed to families tomorrow, Tuesday, Feb. 15.
- Website will be updated by end of day on Friday at the latest with a new FAQ. While our quarantine graph will stay up on the website, we will no longer post those numbers.
- The Pandemic Team is a valuable asset to the district, and per APR-ESSER regulations, our Health & Safety plan must be reviewed at a minimum every 6 months through September of 2024. At a minimum, the Pandemic Team will be pulled together for this review process as well as for review and analysis of any updated guidance from the PDE or DOH.

