



DETROIT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS PLAN FOR 2021-2022

DLA created this plan* for the 21-22 school year in order to provide direction from both medical and scientific experts on COVID-19 safety and health equity, which will assist the school community in reaching the goal of sustaining in-person learning and wellness for our students and employees. The strategies below are based on the COVID-19 transmission levels as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on their COVID Data Tracker website. DLA will base its preventative measures and response on the CDC reported transmission level for the city of Detroit, any health or executive orders from the state, as well as regular and ongoing communications with officials from the Detroit Health Department.

****This plan is subject to change and will evolve as the COVID-19 science and information does. Any changes to the plan due to updates from the CDC and local or state officials will be posted on the [DLA website](#) under the family resources tab. Adjustments in protocols will be determined by the school administration. Unless there are extenuating circumstances, adjustments in mitigation measures will take place on Mondays, immediately following any new guidance.***

Community Transmission Scale @ CDC COVID Data Tracker:				
COVID-19 Transmission Indicators If the two indicators suggest different transmission levels, the higher level is selected	Low Transmission Blue	Moderate Transmission Yellow	Substantial Transmission Orange	High Transmission Red
Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days	0-9.99	10-49.99	50-99.99	≥100
Percentage of tests that are positive during the past 7 days	0-4.99%	5-7.99%	8-9.99%	≥10.0%
Community Resources				
<u>Recommendations for Safer School Operations During COVID-19</u>				
<u>Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People</u>				
<u>CDC indicators and thresholds for Community Transmission of COVID-19</u>				
<u>American Academy of Pediatrics COVID-19 Guidance for Safe Schools MDHHS</u>				
<u>How Do Levels of Community Transition Affect Schools</u>				
<u>What We Can Do To Promote Health Equity</u>				



Isolation and Quarantine (Staff & Students)

DLA will work with the City of Detroit Health Department to support case investigation and the contact tracing process. DLA will provide educational support for students and families who are impacted by isolation and quarantine. Isolation and quarantine will adhere to local public health requirements and operating procedures. Close contact identification will be supported by the school for classroom and athletic-based close contact identification.

NOTES: Close contact exclusion will be determined by current school operations and policies currently in place for masking and social distancing. For example:

- If no masks required. Close contacts within 6 ft. of a positive individual for 15 or more cumulative minutes will be quarantined for 10 days from the last date of contact. Fully vaccinated individuals **do not** quarantine unless the individual displays symptoms.
- If Face masks required. Close contacts within 3 ft. of a positive individual for 15 or more cumulative minutes will be quarantined for 10 days from the last date of contact. Individuals 3 to 6 ft. may continue to attend school as long as they do not have symptoms. Fully vaccinated individuals **do not** quarantine unless the individual displays symptoms.

Vaccinations

The CDC & DLA both recommend vaccinations to help stop the spread of COVID-19 and other communicable disease.
DLA is **NOT** requiring staff or students to be vaccinated.

COVID Testing

COVID testing of students or staff **will not be required** unless mandated by a local or state agency and/or a sanctioning body.
Athlete & extracurricular participant testing **will not be required** unless mandated by a local or state agency and/or a sanctioning body.
Optional COVID testing will be provided on a weekly basis at both the K-8 and HS campuses.

Student Health Screening and Illness

Parents/guardians should conduct a daily [self-check](#) and student [wellness check](#) prior to sending student(s) to school. Attendance policies may be waived or suspended.
DO NOT SEND SICK STUDENTS TO SCHOOL.
[Communicable Disease Policy](#)

Extracurricular Gathering Size and Facility Use

District will follow [MDHHS](#) and [MHSAA](#) requirements.



Staff Health Screening and Illness			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
<p>Staff members are required to conduct a daily wellness self-check* prior to reporting to work and should not report to work if sick.</p> <p>*Clear To Go!</p>	<p>Staff members are required to conduct a daily wellness self-check* prior to reporting to work and should not report to work if sick.</p> <p>*Clear To Go!</p>	<p>Staff members are required to conduct a daily wellness self-check* prior to reporting to work and should not report to work if sick.</p> <p>*Clear To Go!</p>	<p>Staff members are required to conduct a daily wellness self-check* prior to reporting to work and should not report to work if sick.</p> <p>*Clear To Go!</p>
Cleaning & Disinfecting			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
<p>DLA will follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures.</p>	<p>DLA will follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures. Additional cleaning and disinfecting procedures may be implemented.</p>	<p>DLA will follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures. Additional cleaning and disinfecting procedures may be implemented in classrooms during the school day.</p>	<p>DLA will follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures. Additional cleaning and disinfecting procedures will be implemented in classrooms during the school day.</p>
Face Covering (Masks)			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
<p>Staff and students are required to wear face masks regardless of vaccinations status with exception for medical/religious exemptions, and when eating and drinking -- up and until the CDC changes their recommendations for all indoor and outdoor school activities.</p> <p>Staff may wear face shields, if they are vaccinated only, when working 1 on 1 with children or in group settings so as to not disrupt any audio or visual learning needs.</p>	<p>Staff and students are required to wear face masks regardless of vaccinations status with exception for medical/religious exemptions, and when eating and drinking -- up and until the CDC changes their recommendations for all indoor and outdoor school activities.</p> <p>Staff may wear face shields, if they are vaccinated only, when working 1 on 1 with children or in group settings so as to not disrupt any audio or visual learning needs.</p>	<p>Staff and students are required to wear face masks regardless of vaccinations status with exception for medical/religious exemptions, and when eating and drinking -- up and until the CDC changes their recommendations for all indoor and outdoor school activities.</p> <p>Staff may wear face shields, if they are vaccinated only, when working 1 on 1 with children or in group settings so as to not disrupt any audio or visual learning needs.</p>	<p>Staff and students are required to wear face masks regardless of vaccinations status with exception for medical/religious exemptions, and when eating and drinking -- up and until the CDC changes their recommendations for all indoor and outdoor school activities.</p> <p>Staff may wear face shields, if they are vaccinated only, when working 1 on 1 with children or in group settings so as to not disrupt any audio or visual learning needs.</p>



Transportation			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
<p>Normal Transportation Operations. Additional cleaning and disinfecting procedures will be implemented.</p> <p><i>*Adhere to CDC order for facemask requirements.</i></p>	<p>Normal Transportation Operations. Additional cleaning and disinfecting procedures will be implemented.</p> <p><i>*Adhere to CDC order for facemask requirements.</i></p>	<p>Normal Transportation Operations. Additional cleaning and disinfecting procedures will be implemented.</p> <p><i>*Adhere to CDC order for facemask requirements.</i></p>	<p>Normal Transportation Operations. Additional cleaning and disinfecting procedures will be implemented.</p> <p><i>*Adhere to CDC order for facemask requirements.</i></p>
Instructional Format			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
<p>In-person instruction.</p> <p>High School has online option available, by request only with family consent form on file.</p>	<p>In-person instruction.</p> <p>High School has online option available, by request only with family consent form on file.</p>	<p>In-person instruction.</p> <p>High School has online option available, by request only with family consent form on file.</p> <p>If DLA is closed by government order, all students impacted by closure will be provided with remote learning opportunities with a mix of synchronous and asynchronous instruction.</p>	<p>In-person instruction.</p> <p>High School has online option available, by request only with family consent form on file.</p> <p>If DLA is closed by government order, all students impacted by closure will be provided with remote learning opportunities with a mix of synchronous and asynchronous instruction.</p>
<p>Students quarantined by the health department may gain access to remote learning opportunities. The superintendent may approve access to synchronous learning support under special circumstances related to a documented medical diagnosis, medical procedure, and behavioral or mental health crisis.</p>			
Cohorting			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
<p>Mixing of students may occur.</p>	<p>Mixing of students may be restricted in some areas, activities, classrooms, and/or buildings.</p>	<p>Mixing of students may be restricted in some areas, activities, classrooms, and/or buildings.</p>	<p>Mixing of students may be restricted in some areas, activities, classrooms, and/or buildings.</p>



Social Distancing			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
Social distancing measures will be in place when and where possible.	Social distancing measures will be in place when and where possible. Adjustments to school procedures, schedules, activities, etc., may be made to adjust to the social distancing recommendations. Desks will be arranged at least 3 feet apart, to the greatest extent feasible.	Social distancing measures will be in place when and where possible. Adjustments to school procedures, schedules, activities, etc., may be made to adjust to the social distancing recommendations. Desks will be arranged at least 3 feet apart, to the greatest extent feasible.	Social distancing measures will be in place when and where possible. Adjustments to school procedures, schedules, activities, etc., may be made to adjust to the social distancing recommendations. Desks will be arranged at least 3 feet apart, to the greatest extent feasible.
Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
Hand Hygiene/Hand Sanitation and Respiratory Etiquette is expected.	Hand Hygiene/Hand Sanitation and Respiratory Etiquette are expected, and additional opportunities for proper hand washing will be available throughout the day. Hand sanitizing will be encouraged when students leave or enter the classroom and other designated areas.	Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette are expected and additional opportunities for proper hand washing will be available throughout the day. Hand sanitizing will be required when students leave or enter the classroom and other designated areas.	Hand Hygiene/Hand Sanitation and Respiratory Etiquette is expected, and additional opportunities for proper hand washing will be available throughout the day. Hand sanitizing will be required when students leave or enter the classroom and other designated areas.
Handwashing and proper covering of the mouth/nose area when coughing/sneezing will be taught in all grades PreK-12 at the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. Hand washing/hand sanitizing and proper covering of the mouth/nose area when coughing/sneezing will be encouraged at all times.			
Extra-Curricular Activities & Athletics			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
Extra-curricular events and athletic practices and competitions will be permitted. DLA will follow all MHSAA requirements.	Extra-curricular events and athletic practices and competitions will be permitted, while additional health and safety protocols may be required. DLA will follow all MHSAA requirements.	Extra-curricular events and athletic practices and competitions will be permitted, while additional health and safety protocols may be required. DLA will follow all MHSAA requirements.	Extra-curricular events and athletic practices and competitions will be permitted, while additional health and safety protocols may be required. DLA will follow all MHSAA requirements.



Field Trips			
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Food Service			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
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Offices and Visitors			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
District and building offices will be open for normal school business. Additional health and safety protocols may be put in place. Visitors and guests are allowed in buildings and must be masked.	District and building offices will be open for normal school business. Additional health and safety protocols may be put in place. Visitors and guests are allowed in buildings and must be masked.	District and building offices will remain open for normal business. Additional health and safety protocols will be put in place. No building access will be permitted during school or government closures.	District and building offices will remain open for normal business. Additional health and safety protocols will be put in place. No building access will be permitted during school or government closures.
Meetings and Conferences			
Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences will be permitted.	In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences will be permitted.	In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences may be limited and virtual/remote.	In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences may be limited and virtual/remote.