



# Wisconsin Heights School District Operational Planning

July 26, 2021



# Public Health Updates

1. [CDC Guidance](#) - released July 9, 2021
2. Public Health Madison & Dane County
  - a. [School Operating Guidance](#) - July 26, 2021
  - b. [School Requirements](#)
3. [Current Dane County Snapshot](#) - updated 7/22/21
  - a. Case counts have increased in the last two weeks

# Decision Making Framework



- Public Health Madison and Dane County (PHMDC) guidelines
  - What are they recommending for county schools?
- Local census tract data
- Our lived experience in our instructional model

# Attendance Procedures



- [Employee Procedure](#)
- [Student Procedure](#)

# School Testing Procedures



- Symptomatic individuals will be tested by trained school personnel
  - With parental consent
  
- DHS is in the process of matching schools and districts with approved vendors to offer school-based testing. Meetings will start the week of July 26.

# Quarantine Procedures



- 7 day quarantine with negative test collected no earlier than day 6
- 10 day quarantine
- Alternative quarantine - Only available if there is a mask mandate
  - Close contacts would not have to quarantine from school
  - Close contacts would still need to quarantine outside of school and from extracurricular activities
  - Correct & consistent mask use has been associated with less transmission in schools

# Vaccinations



- WHSD encourages eligible students and staff to be vaccinated
- We will not exclude individuals who have not been vaccinated
- We will not require individuals who have not been vaccinated to adhere to different masking procedures than the vaccinated

# Masking Procedures - Option A



- Required in Black Earth and Mazomanie Elementary
- Strongly recommended at the middle/high school
- Masks may be required if the local public health situation indicates such a change is prudent



# Masking Procedures - Option B



- Strongly recommended at Black Earth and Mazomanie Elementary Schools
- Optional at the middle/high school
- Masks may be required if the local public health situation indicates such a change is prudent

# Social Distancing/Seating Procedures



- We will maintain three feet of social distancing whenever possible
- Students will have assigned seats in classrooms to support contact tracing

# School Bus/Van Procedures



- Masks will be required on school sponsored transportation as per the [CDC](#).
- This requirement is in place until at least September 13, 2021
- Contact tracing will be conducted through the review of bus security footage

# Lunch Procedures



- Students at Black Earth & Mazomanie will be eating in two separate lunchroom spaces, cafeteria and gymnasium.
  - Similar to how lunch was served in April.
- Students at the Middle/High School:
  - Will continue to use track for middle school students for recess.
  - Will use outdoor spaces as well as cafeteria for both middle and high school students as weather permits.

# Cleaning Procedures



- Classrooms will be disinfected at the end of each school day
- High touch areas will be intermittently cleaned throughout the school day

# WI Data

	14 day Average Case count	14 day Average % Positive
Nov 23	6143	30.6%
April 26	667	3.8%
May 24	377	3.0%
June 14	111	1.2%
July 26	254	3.3%

# Dane County Data



	14 day Average Case count	14 day Average % Positive
Nov 23	399.9	7.4%
April 26	62.7	1.1%
May 24	22.6	1.2%
June 14	7.4	0.56%
July 26	25.5	1.9%

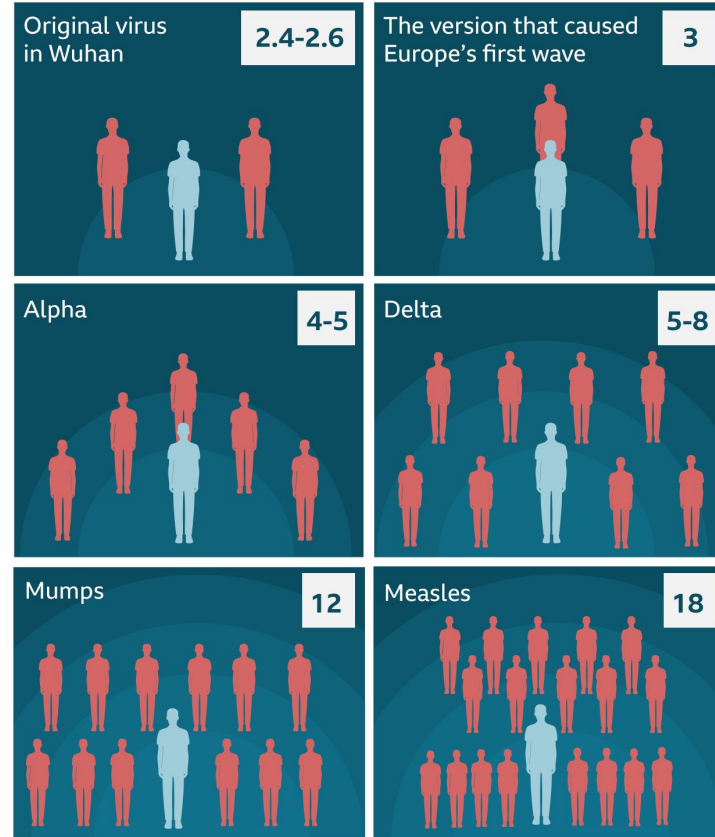
## How the R0 numbers of Covid-19 variants and other diseases compare

The more contagious, the higher the R0 number



# Delta Variant

- Dominant strain in WI & Dane county
- Easily transmissible
- Higher viral load
  - Probability of getting it if exposed is greater than before
- We do not know if it is causing more serious infections (need more research)



# 7 day average cases per 100,000



	<b>Nov 23</b>	<b>March 22</b>	<b>May 10</b>	<b>June 14</b>	<b>July 26</b>
<b>WI</b>	101	7.0	9.2	1.8	6.1
<b>Dane</b>	65.3	7.6	6.9	1.2	5.5
<b>BE/MZ</b>	89.1	6.4	0.0	0.0	3.2
<b>WI Heights</b>	NA	2.2	0.0	0.0	2.2



# 7 day total cases per 100,000



	<b>July 26</b>
<b>WI</b>	42.3
<b>Dane</b>	44.8

<b>Level of Community Transmission</b>	7 day total cases per 100,000
Low Transmission	0-9
Moderate Transmission	10-49
Substantial Transmission	50-99
High Transmission	≥100

# Vaccinations



	<b># Started Series</b>	<b># Completed Series</b>	<b>% Population w/ at least 1 dose</b>
<b>Wisconsin</b>	2,990,283	2,852,120	51.4%
<b>Dane County</b>	391,687	367,101	69.8%
<b>WHSD Staff</b>	139	139	92.6%
<b>WHSD Students</b>	161	151	55.1%
<b>WHSD Community</b>	3,991	3,880	63.4%



# Athletics -- Dates

## **Football**

- August 9th

## **Girls Swim**

- August 10th

## **Volleyball**

- August 16th

## **Cross Country**

- August 16th

## **Soccer**

- August 16th

## **MS Volleyball**

- September 1st

## **MS Cross Country**

- September 1st

# Athletics -- WIAA Updates



## From the WIAA:

“The **Covid-19 guidelines** for the fall sports are now posted online - [WIAA Fall 2021 Sport Guidelines](#). We continue to recommend the following:

- Masks are strongly encouraged for individuals not fully vaccinated.
- Continue with proper hygiene – do not share water bottles, regularly clean and disinfect equipment
- Socially distance when possible
- Full vaccination is strongly encouraged – keep in mind a person fully vaccinated is exempt from quarantining. Protect yourself, your team, and your season”

# What's Next?



1. Ongoing - Communication cycles with parents, students, families & staff. Evaluate our three critical factors.
2. July 26 board meeting - present draft procedures for the start of the 21-22 school year
3. August 9 board meeting - board approval of procedures for the start of the 21-22 school year
4. August 23 - first day of all staff in-service
5. September 1 - first day of the school year for students!