



Wisconsin Heights School District Operational Planning

September 13, 2021



Public Health Updates

1. [CDC Guidance](#) - released July 9, 2021

2. Public Health Madison & Dane County
 - a. [School Operating Guidance](#) - July 27, 2021
 - b. [PHMDC Indoor masking order](#) - September 10, 2021
 - i. Runs until **October 8, 2021**
 - c. [Update from UW](#) - August 8, 2021

3. [Current Dane County Snapshot](#) - updated 9/9/21
 - a. Case counts have stabilized in the last two weeks

WI Data

	14 day Average Case count	14 day Average % Positive
Sept 13, 2020	989	12.3%
Nov 23	6143	30.6%
June 14	111	1.2%
July 26	254	3.3%
August 23	1237	7.3%
Sept 13	1609	8.2%

Dane County Data



	14 day Average Case count	14 day Average % Positive
Sept 13, 2020	171.6	5.2%
Nov 23	399.9	7.4%
June 14	7.4	0.56%
July 26	25.5	1.9%
August 23	88.7	3.8%
Sept 9	96.4	3.6%

7 day total cases per 100,000



	July 26	August 3	August 9	August 23	Sept 13
WI	42.3	95.7	131.2	155.6	176.5
Dane	44.8	80.5	114.9	119.6	125.9
WI Heights	--	--	--	63.7	254.8

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

7 day average cases per 100,000



	Nov 23	May 10	June 14	July 26	August 23	Sept 13
WI	101	9.2	1.8	6.1	22.2	27.7
Dane	65.3	6.9	1.2	5.5	15.3	18.3
WI Heights	NA	0.0	0.0	2.2	9.1	36.3

Vaccinations



	# Started Series	# Completed Series	% Population w/ at least 1 dose	% of eligible population w/ 1 dose
Wisconsin	3,243,595	3,050,518	55.7%	64.8%
Dane County	398,508	381,576	72.9%	83.7%
WHSD Staff	132	132	91.7%	91.7%
WHSD Students	207	181	54.9%	64.1%
WHSD Community	4,147	4,010	65.9%	--

Daily District Data



Date	Active Cases	Quarantined	Running Total	% Population
9/1/21	8	5	13	1.5%
9/2/21	8	5	13	1.5%
9/3/21	10	11	21	2.4%
9/7/21	6	12	18	2.0%
9/8/21	6	11	17	1.9%
9/9/21	5	13	18	2.0%
9/10/21	2	14	16	1.8%
9/13/21	2	7	9	1.0%

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 consent
- Close contacts and individuals who request testing will be tested as staff capacity allows (with consent/request).
- DHS matched WHSD with Accelerated Analytical to offer school-based testing.
 - Symptomatic testing at all schools and drive through testing at the MS/HS from 10 - 11 AM

Quarantine Procedures



- Vaccinated individuals who are close contacts will not have to quarantine unless symptomatic
- 7 day quarantine with a negative lab test collected no earlier than day 6
- 10 day quarantine
- Alternative quarantine - Only available if students are masked
 - Close contacts would not have to quarantine from school
 - Close contacts would still need to quarantine outside of school
 - 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

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
- PHMDC order runs until October 8, 2021
- Contact tracing will be conducted through the review of bus security footage

Lunch Procedures



- Students at Black Earth & Mazomanie are eating in two separate lunchroom spaces, cafeteria and gymnasium.
- Students at the Middle/High School:
 - Continue to use track for middle school students for recess.
 - Using outdoor spaces as well as cafeteria for both middle and high school students as weather permits.

Food Service



- USDA Seamless Summer Option (SSO) for SY 2021-22
 - School meals are **FREE** to all students!
 - Maintaining safety measures and managing impacts of the pandemic
- Nationwide supply chain and product availability shortages
 - Lack of raw ingredients and labor
 - Menu changes and product substitutions may occur
- Meals will remain balanced, healthy, and plentiful

Cleaning Procedures



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

Masking Procedures - PHMDC Order



- Face Covering Required. Every individual, age two (2) and older, shall wear a face covering when:
 - In any enclosed space open to the public where other people, except for members of the person's own household or living unit, are present.
- Driving or riding in any form of public transportation.
- Exceptions can be made under the following circumstances:
 - Individuals with medical conditions, intellectual or developmental disabilities, mental health conditions, or other sensory sensitivities that prevent the individual from wearing a face covering.

Masking Procedures



- This indoor masking requirement includes all individuals who are indoors for co-curricular events (including spectators).
- New to this PHMDC order - an expectation to indoor masking:
 - When actively playing a wind instrument that has a fabric bell cover, or similar cover, that acts as a face covering over the instrument, as long as individuals are spaced at least six (6) feet apart at all times.
- Optional use outdoors for students, staff, and visitors district-wide.

What's Next?



1. Ongoing - Monitor our daily operations and community transmission levels. Evaluate our three critical factors.
2. September 13 - provide updates to the school board on the first two weeks of the school year.
3. September 27 - provide updates at the school board meeting
4. October 8 - PHMDC indoor masking order expires.