



Wisconsin Heights School District Operational Planning

October 11, 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](#) - October 8, 2021
 - i. Runs until **November 5, 2021**
 - c. [Update from UW](#) - August 8, 2021
3. [Current Dane County Snapshot](#) - **updated 10/7/21**
 - a. Case counts increased in the last two weeks

WI Data

	14 day Average Case count	14 day Average % Positive
Oct 11, 2020	2455	20.5%
Nov 23	6143	30.6%
June 14	111	1.2%
August 23	1237	7.3%
Sept 27	2661	9.2%
Oct 11	2517	10.1%

Dane County Data



	14 day Average Case count	14 day Average % Positive
Oct 11, 2020	127.4	3.3%
Nov 23	399.9	7.4%
June 14	7.4	0.56%
August 23	88.7	3.8%
Sept 27	140.8	3.4%
Oct 11	129.5	3.4%

7 day total cases per 100,000



	July 26	August 9	August 23	Sept 27	Oct 11
WI	42.3	131.2	155.6	314.3	306.3
Dane	44.8	114.9	119.6	152.7	155.5
WI Heights	--	--	63.7	238.0	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	June 14	July 26	August 23	Sept 27	Oct 11
WI	101	1.8	6.1	22.2	44.9	43.1
Dane	65.3	1.2	5.5	15.3	25.8	20.4
WI Heights	NA	0.0	2.2	9.1	34.1	33.8

Vaccinations



	# Started Series	# Completed Series	% Population w/ at least 1 dose	% of eligible population w/ 1 dose
Wisconsin	3,326,299	3,165,184	57.1%	66.4%
Dane County	404,563	389,819	74.0%	85.1%
WHSD Staff	122	122	92.4%	92.4%
WHSD Students	217	204	57.6%	68.2%
WHSD Community	4,155	4,075	66.1%	--

WHSD Data



Week of	New Cases	New Quarantines	Students out on Quarantine or Positive	# Out with symptoms	# of Tests done at school
Sept 13	1	1	14	19	-
Sept 20	0	0	4	14	21
Sept 27	2	24	26	14	49
Oct 4	3	7	32	21	72

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

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

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 - PHMDC Order



- This indoor masking requirement includes all individuals who are indoors for co-curricular events (including spectators).
- In existing PHMDC order - an exception 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. October 11 - provide updates to the school board on the first six weeks of the school year.
3. October 25 - next school board meeting.
4. November 5 - PHMDC indoor masking order expires. TBD - If it will be extended.