

VAN BUREN COUNTY

COVID-19 SCHOOL RISK ASSESSMENT

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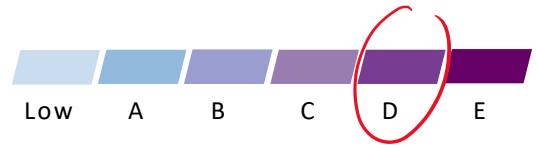
COUNTY RISK
DETERMINATION LEVEL

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19 – FEBRUARY 25, 2021

MI SAFE START PHASE 4

81.6	Daily Cases Per Mil.
43d ↓	Cases Weekly Trend (CDC)
2,780.3	Daily Tests Per Mil.
5.8%	% Positive Tests
4.6% ↑	Beds Occupied by COVID (regional)
0	K-12 Outbreaks
0	College Outbreaks

County Risk Determination Levels



- A Medium Risk
- B Medium-High Risk
- C High Risk
- D Very High Risk
- E Highest Risk

To use the matrix, intersect your current County Determination Level with your school building and district spread indicators

		School Building and District Spread Indicators (A)		
		No cases in school buildings	Building(s) with known cases (C) in staff or students but no ongoing transmission	Building(s) with evidence of ongoing transmission (C)
County Level Risk Determination (B)	Low	In person with mitigation measures	In person with strict mitigation measures after cleaning/contact tracing (D)	In person with strict mitigation in affected buildings with cases after an appropriate pause (E)
	Medium	In person with strict mitigation measures	In person with strict mitigation measures after cleaning/contact tracing (D)	In person with strict mitigation in affected buildings with cases after an appropriate pause (E)
	Medium-High	In person with strict mitigation measures	In person with strict mitigation measures after cleaning/contact tracing (D)	Consider reduced density in affected buildings with cases after an appropriate pause (E)
	High	In person with strict mitigation measures. Discuss additional innovative mitigation strategies with the local health department.	Consider reduced density in affected buildings after cleaning/contact tracing (D). Discuss additional innovative mitigation strategies with the local health department.	Consider reduced density in affected buildings with cases after an appropriate pause (E). Discuss additional innovative mitigation strategies with the local health department.
	Very High	Consider reduced density with strict mitigation measures. Discuss additional innovative mitigation strategies with the local health department.	Consider reduced density in affected buildings after cleaning/contact tracing (D). Discuss additional innovative mitigation strategies with the local health department.	Consider remote instruction in the affected building(s) for twenty eight days.
	Highest	Consider appropriate pause (14 days) of in person instruction in entire district to discuss additional strategies for protecting student and staff, including but not limited to testing strategies	Consider remote instruction in entire district	Consider remote instruction in entire district

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(B) The epidemiologic risk level indicator from MiSafeMap.info (private local health department dashboard) is the default County Level Risk Determination

(C) Work with local health department on contact tracing; appropriate closure for cleaning and disinfection

(D) Work with local health department to consider short suspension of in person instruction (2-5 days) in the building or affected portion of building to ensure contact tracing and determine if ongoing transmission. Review mitigation measures and strengthen if any gaps in implementation are identified.

(E) Work with local health department to consider up to a 14-day suspension of in-person instruction in building or affected portion of building to break transmission. Review mitigation measures and, address gaps in implementation and strengthen mitigation measures where possible.

Mitigation measures include required measures for MI Safe Schools: Michigan's 2020-21 Return to School Roadmap. Strict mitigation measures include all required/strongly recommended/recommended measures in the Return to School Roadmap, including universal use of cloth face coverings for age four years and older. Cloth facial coverings should be considered and encouraged for children ages 2-3 years. Other innovative approaches to risk reduction may be considered from sources such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools.html>) or Resolve to Save Lives (https://preventepidemics.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Reopening-Americas-Schools_07-08-2020-Final.pdf).

Reduced density: hybrid instruction approach of some in person and some remote learning to ensure social distancing and learning are both possible.

Note: At high level of community transmission, individual buildings become early indicators of future spread and their status impacts the rest of the district.

Additional Links:

State of Michigan Coronavirus website: www.Michigan.gov/coronavirus

State of Michigan COVID-19 data dashboard: https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98163_98173---,00.html

State of Michigan School-related Outbreak Reporting: https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98163_98173_102480---,00.html

MI Safe Start Map: <https://www.mistartmap.info/>

Statewide Available PPE & Bed Tracking: <https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98159-523641--,00.html>

This report has been prepared by Van Buren/Cass District Health Department as an internal memo only. The report is intended to help inform school administrators for decision-making processes; it is not an official recommendation or requirement.

County Risk Determination Level: For school planning, epidemiologic risk is determined at the county level rather than the Michigan Economic Recovery Council Labor Shed Region as schools tend to draw pupils and staff from surrounding community. County epidemiologic indicators are based on:

- 1) Cases per million people over the last seven days, including lab confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 but excluding cases occurring among inmates from Correctional facilities in the community; and
- 2) Percent of all diagnostic tests that were positive each day, excluding testing occurring in Correctional facilities.
 - Low risk: <7 COVID-19 cases per million people in county or <3% percent diagnostic tests are positive
 - Medium risk: 7 to <20 COVID-19 cases per million people in the county or 3 to <7% percent diagnostic tests are positive
 - Medium-High risk: 20 to <40 COVID-19 cases per million people in the county or 7 to <10 percent diagnostic tests are positive
 - High risk: 40 to <70 COVID-19 cases per million people in the county or 10 to <15 percent diagnostic tests are positive
 - Very High risk: 70 to <150 COVID-19 cases per million people in the county or 15 to <20 percent diagnostic tests are positive
 - Highest risk: 150 or more cases per million people in the county or 20 or greater percent diagnostic tests are positive

If there is a discordance in the risk level based on cases per million or the percent positivity, the higher risk level should be considered.