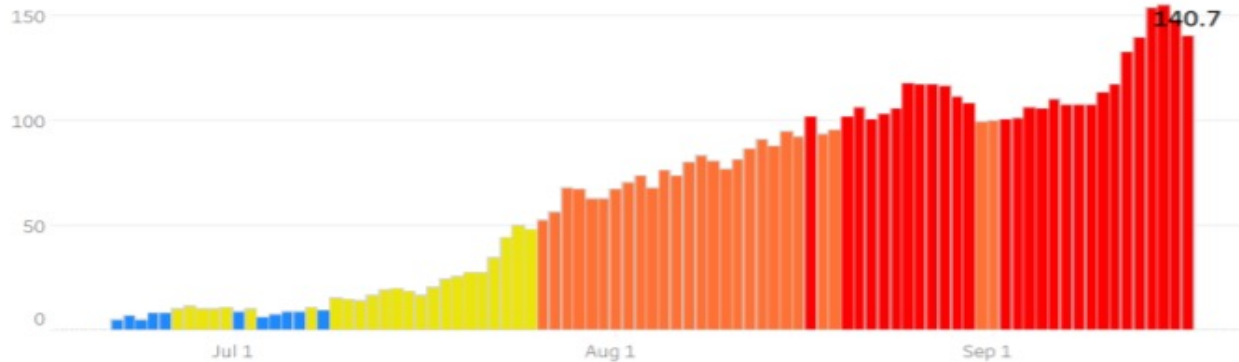


ACPS & AHD Town Hall: Health & Safety Measures

CDC Case Tracker

<p>New cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days</p> <p>140.7</p> <p>High Transmission</p>	<p>Total new cases in the past 7 days</p> <p>231</p>	<p>Level of Community Transmission Per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Low</td> <td>0-9.99</td> <td>Blue</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Moderate</td> <td>10-49.99</td> <td>Yellow</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Substantial</td> <td>50-99.99</td> <td>Orange</td> </tr> <tr> <td>High</td> <td>≥ 100</td> <td>Red</td> </tr> </table>	Low	0-9.99	Blue	Moderate	10-49.99	Yellow	Substantial	50-99.99	Orange	High	≥ 100	Red
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Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days
Most recent 90 days shown



The case count includes laboratory-confirmed cases and probable cases (symptomatic patients diagnosed by a doctor but not tested) reported by the Virginia Department of Health on the date noted. Due to periodic data lags and corrections, cases and deaths reported on a certain date may have occurred at any point in the past. Population data is from the Washington Council of Governments 9.2 Round Forecast for the City of Alexandria. Levels of community transmission are defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Health & Safety Measures for SY 2021-22

- Mitigation measures including requiring masking, daily temperature screening, daily symptom checker, health annex rooms, enhanced air filters, enhanced cleaning <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/Page/3738>
- Employee vaccination status reporting or weekly testing
- Instructional programming for students who quarantine with live streaming and/or virtual instruction <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/Page/3743>

Transportation

- Boarding from back of bus to the front with seating
- Students are masked for duration of the trip
 - Additional masks are available on each bus in case a student does not have one.
- Selected windows are open to enhance air circulation (weather permitting)
- Contact tracing using review of bus roster, bus routes and video if needed

Return to School Guidelines & Attendance

Please keep your child home if they are feeling unwell.

Any absence for a student who is sick is an excused absence, as is the usual process.

If your student is on quarantine and participating in live streaming or virtual instruction, they will be marked as present-virtual.

<https://www.acps.k12.va.us/Page/3743>

Positive attendance and reducing absenteeism are priorities in ACPS; however, in these times, the health and safety of our students is paramount and we ask that students who are unwell should stay home.

If a student:	They will be excluded from <u>in-person instruction, transportation, and school activities</u> until:	They may return to in person instruction when cleared by:
Has symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cleared by a medical provider showing an alternate diagnosis OR ▪ negative SARS-COV-2 test OR ▪ cleared by ACPS School Health Staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide <u>written medical documentation</u> showing an alternate diagnosis OR • provide a copy of a <u>negative test result</u> presented to school OR _____ • No testing done AND <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 10 days have passed and ◦ it has been 24 hours or more that the child is fever free and has not taken fever reducing medication and/or symptoms have improved ◦ provide a parental note that documents the above
Is designated as close contact in a public health contact investigation	For 14 calendar days	Alexandria Health Department
Has a positive COVID-19 diagnosis	For 10 calendar days and it has been 24 hours or more that the child is fever and has not taken fever reducing medication and symptoms have improved	Alexandria Health Department; or healthcare provider

Next Steps

- Improve the COVID-19 dashboard to include close contact numbers and cumulative staff and student breakdowns
- Partnership with AHD on providing vaccinations on site beginning with secondary schools week of 9/27
 - Planning for elementary school vaccinations once approved
- Implementation of on-site testing at the conclusion of procurement process with the goal of surveillance testing of 30% of student population per site
- Exploring distancing measures for lunch
- Communication with VDH on the ViSSTA program

Additional Safety Measures

CLEANING

- Restrooms disinfected every 1.5 to 2 hours
- Frequently touched surfaces are cleaned multiple times per day
- ACPS custodial staff uses EPA-certified chemicals to clean and disinfect
- Enhanced disinfection for any space impacted by confirmed positive case (occurs same-day upon notification to Facilities and Operations)

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

- Masks required for all drivers, monitors and students
- Bus loaded from rear to front to reduce the amount of passing/unnecessary contact
- Select number of windows opened on all buses for duration of ride (as weather permits)
- All buses disinfected nightly; enhanced disinfection upon confirmation of case involving a bus (occurs same-day upon notification to Facilities and Operations)

PPE PROVISIONS/OTHER ITEMS

- Masks provided for all staff, students and visitors
 - Reusable and disposable
- Disinfectant wipes provided to all classrooms
- Temperature scanning units available at all school locations
- Safety signage provided and installed at all locations

HVAC/VENTILATION UPDATES

- MERV-13 filters used in HVAC systems
- HEPA-air purification systems provided for all classroom and common spaces
- Annual and Quarterly HVAC preventative maintenance
- HVAC repairs when needed
- Continuation of HVAC capital projects

Questions and Answers

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