

BCTHS Summary of PDE *Recommendations* for Large School Buildings (>900 students)



Impact of a COVID-19 Cases updated 11//23/20

[Copied from PDE Website](#) (NOTE: Colors in graphic added by BCTHS)

It is important to note that a significant and/or widespread outbreak may require moving to a more remote-based instructional model more quickly. DOH will provide proactive consultative assistance to school entities should such an outbreak occur.

Bucks County	Building Level - Number of COVID-19 Cases of within a rolling 14-day period		
	1-5 students/staff	6-10 students/staff	11+ students/staff
Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School does not need to close Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 3-5 days* Clean area(s) where cases spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school(s) Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine
Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School does not need to close Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 3-7 days* Clean area(s) where cases spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school(s) Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine
Substantial†	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School should consider altering schedule to significantly decrease number of students on site Clean area(s) where case spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School should consider altering schedule to significantly decrease number of students on site Close school(s) for 3-7 days* Clean area(s) where cases spent time Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School should consider altering schedule to significantly decrease number of students on site Close school(s) for 14 days* Clean entire school Public health staff will direct close contacts to quarantine

*** If case investigations, contact tracing, and cleaning and disinfecting can be accomplished in a faster time frame, the length of closure time may be shortened. (Emphasis added by BCTHS)**

† DOH and PDE recommend a Full Remote Learning Model for all schools in counties with substantial level of community transmission. Schools that choose to pursue in-person instruction or other models in which school-buildings are utilized by students and/or staff should follow the recommendations here.

SOURCE: <https://www.education.pa.gov/Schools/safeschools/emergencyplanning/COVID-19/SchoolReopeningGuidance/ReopeningPreKto12/PublicHealthGuidance/Pages/SchoolClosureRecommendations.aspx>

NOTE: Green, yellow, red colors added by BCTHS