

COVID-19 DECISION TREE

The COVID-19 Decision Tree guides our decisions regarding how we begin the school year and adjust our learning environment in response to the global pandemic. The COVID Task Force meets at least once per month to evaluate the public health landscape and adjust the alert level accordingly. Arbor faculty and staff will review the COVID Task Force’s recommendations and communicate recommendations and action plans to the community. The school will make immediate adjustments to the learning model if mandated by local, state, or national authorities.

The decision tree reflects revisions made as a result of the Task Force Meeting held on August 2nd, 2021.

Alert Level	General Conditions	Learning Environment	
Green (low)	No to minimal community transmission. No known cases in school community.	Toddler	Campus open—all days. All students on campus for regular hours.
		Primary	Before- and after-care may be open.
		Elementary	Buses may operate. Outdoor education on or away from campus may take place.
		AP	Standard COVID-19 precautions continue.
Yellow (moderate)	Minimal to moderate community transmission. One or more suspected cases in school community; individual classroom closure may be considered.	Toddler	Campus open—all days. All students on campus.
		Primary	Lunch and nap may occur.
		Elementary	Consider cohorting of students. Before- and after-care may be open.
		AP	Buses may operate. Outdoor education on campus may take place.
Gold (elevated)	Moderate to substantial, controlled community transmission. Suspected or confirmed cases in school community without known transmission in school community; individual classroom or broader closures may be considered.	Toddler	Campus open—all days; adjusted hours as needed. All students on campus. Cohorting of students.
		Primary, Elementary, and AP	Campus open—all days; hours may be adjusted. All students on campus. Lunch may occur when class size & mitigation strategies allow. Nap may occur when mitigation strategies allow. Cohorting of students by classroom; consider use of hybrid learning model.
		Before/After-Care	Not available.
		Bus Service	Available if cohorting and mitigation strategies allow and destinations are approved.
		Outdoor Education	Limited to outdoor, on-campus experiences within cohorts.

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Orange (heightened)	Substantial, controlled community transmission. Confirmed cases or confirmed cases with known or suspected transmission in school community; individual classroom or broader closures may be considered.	Toddler	Campus open—all days, hours may be adjusted. All students on campus. Cohorting of students by classroom; use of hybrid learning model.
		Primary, Elementary, and AP	Campus open—all days; hours may be adjusted. All students on campus. Cohorting of students by classroom; use of hybrid learning model. No lunch, no napping.
		Before/After-Care	Not available.
		Bus Service	Not available.
		Outdoor Education	Not available other than limited, on-campus experiences.
Red (high)	Substantial, uncontrolled community transmission. More than two classrooms on one campus affected; campus or school closure may be considered. State or local authorities have issued stay-at-home orders or otherwise advised school closure.	Toddler	Campus closed except for essential personnel. Distance learning for all students. Before- and after-care not available. Outdoor education not available.
		Primary	
		Elementary	
		AP	