

# District 303 COVID-19 Mitigation Plan for the 2021-2022 School Year

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<b>Vaccinations</b>	<p>Parents are asked (not required) to share their child's vaccination status which will help with contact tracing and hopefully avoid quarantine.</p> <p>Parents of unvaccinated students are asked to allow students to participate in regular, optional COVID-19 testing.</p> <p>Per CDC guidelines vaccines are strongly encouraged for students and staff.</p>
<b>Consistent and Correct Mask Use</b>	<p>District 303 is following the Executive Order issued by Governor Pritzker on August 4, 2021, which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Mandate that masks be worn indoors by all teachers, staff, and students in Pre-k through 12 schools regardless of vaccination status.</li><li>○ Masks must be worn during indoor camps and activities.</li><li>○ Masks are not required while students and staff members are outside when physical distancing can be maintained.</li></ul> <p>The CDC order currently in effect for public transportation applies to all District vehicles, including school buses - masks are required.</p> <p><a href="#">Executive Order Number 18 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 85)</a></p>
<b>Physical Distancing</b>	<p>Students and staff will be spaced a minimum of three feet apart in classroom settings; six feet spacing while eating.</p>
<b>Screening Testing to Promptly Identify Cases, Clusters, and Outbreaks</b>	<p>The District will contract with the University of Illinois (SHIELD Illinois) to conduct weekly screening tests. Unvaccinated students will have an option and all unvaccinated staff will be strongly encouraged to participate in the testing program.</p> <p>Participation in the testing program or vaccination status may exempt students and staff members from quarantine. Current CDC/IDPH/ISBE guidelines will be followed for isolation and quarantine.</p>
<b>Ventilation</b>	<p>Continue to use upgraded air filters in all air handling units.</p>

<b>Hand Washing and Respiratory Etiquette</b>	<p>Students and staff have access to touchless sinks, faucets, and water fountains.</p> <p>Hand sanitizer is provided.</p> <p>PPE will continue to be available at no cost for students and staff.</p> <p>Individuals should cover coughs and sneezes with their elbow or a disposable tissue and clean hands immediately.</p>
<b>Staying Home When Sick and Getting Tested</b>	<p>Students and staff should stay home when they have signs of any infectious illness and be referred to their healthcare provider for testing and care.</p>
<b>Contact Tracing in Combination with Isolation and Quarantine</b>	<p>Current CDC/IDPH/ISBE guidelines will be followed for contact tracing, isolation, and quarantine.</p>
<b>Cleaning and Disinfection</b>	<p>Continue best practices for cleaning District 303 facilities and buses including frequent sanitizing of high touch surfaces, availability of wipes to clean individual workstations and desks, and use of electrostatic cleaners for shared equipment and materials.</p>
<b>Changes or Updates to the Mitigation Plan</b>	<p>Changes to our COVID-19 procedures including masking will be subject to recommendations or requirements from the Kane County Health Department, CDC, IDPH, and or ISBE. Factors that will continue to be monitored and considered include, but are not limited to, rates of local community transmission, rates of school based transmission, or any school based outbreaks.</p> <p>District 303 administration will add or remove mitigation strategies based on changes in rates of transmission in our community or schools.</p> <p><b>References and resources:</b></p> <p><a href="#">CDC Guidance for COVID-19 Prevention in K-12 Schools</a></p> <p><a href="#">IDPH Guidance for COVID-19 Prevention in K-12 Schools</a></p> <p><a href="#">ISBE COVID-19 Updates and Resources</a></p> <p><a href="#">Kane County Health Department</a></p>