

COVID-19 Metrics: Considerations for Returning to In-Person Instruction in UMTSD

The Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) and the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PA DOH) provided the guidance below to school districts that align COVID-19 incidence and positivity rates, by county, to the recommended instructional models to protect the health and safety of students and staff.

Transmission	Most Recent (7 Day) Incidence Rate in County	Qualifier	Most Recent (7 Day) Positivity Rate in County	Recommended Instructional Model(s)
Low	Fewer than 10 cases per 100,000 residents	AND	Less than 5%	Full In-person or Blended*
Moderate	At least 10 but less than 100 cases per 100,000 residents	OR	At least 5% but less than 10%	Blended* or Full Remote**
Substantial	At least 100 or more cases per 100,000 residents	OR	Greater than 10%	Full Remote**

UMTSD: *Hybrid/Remote; **Virtual

Montgomery County Data - Most Recent Seven Day Period (September 4th - September 10th)

[Source - COVID-19 Early Warning Dashboard](#)

Metric for Consideration	Status - Met: M / Not Yet Met: NYM
Positivity Rate Below 5%	M (3.3%)
Positive Rate Declining Week Over Week	NYM - (Increase from 3.2-3.3%)
Incidence Rate Less than 10 per 100,000 Residents (Calculation: # of new cases for the last 7 days / 2018 population x 100,000).	NYM - (Decrease from 39.3 to 37.2)
Staff to Open Buildings to Resume In-Person Instruction-Requests for leave or workplace flexibility	TBD once two of three factors above are met

Conclusion: UMTSD will remain in Virtual Learning until at least Monday, November 30, 2020. If 3 of the 4 metrics are met by Monday, November 2, 2020, the district will initiate transitional planning for students and staff for a return to Hybrid/Remote Learning on November 30, 2020.

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Montgomery County Data - Most Recent Seven Day Period (August 28th - September 3rd)

[Source - COVID-19 Early Warning Dashboard](#)

Metric for Consideration	Status - Met: M / Not Yet Met: NYM
Positivity Rate Below 5%	M (3.2%)
Positive Rate Declining Week Over Week	NYM - (Increase from 3.1-3.2%)
Incidence Rate Less than 10 per 100,000 Residents (Calculation: # of new cases for the last 7 days / 2018 population x 100,000).	NYM - (Increase from 35.8 to 39.3)
Staff to Open Buildings to Resume In-Person Instruction-Requests for leave or workplace flexibility	TBD once two of three factors above are met

Montgomery County Data - Most Recent Seven Day Period (August 21st - August 27th)

[Source - COVID-19 Early Warning Dashboard](#)

Metric for Consideration	Status - Met: M / Not Yet Met: NYM
Positivity Rate Below 5%	M (3.1%)
Positive Rate Declining Week Over Week	NYM - (Increase from 3.0-3.1%)
Incidence Rate Less than 10 per 100,000 Residents (Calculation: # of new cases for the last 7 days / 2018 population x 100,000).	NYM - (Increase from 35.2 to 36.8)
Staff to Open Buildings to Resume In-Person Instruction-Requests for leave or workplace flexibility	TBD once two of three factors above are met