



Philomath School District 17J

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Ready Schools, Safe Learners

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Return-to-School Metrics:

- For a school to fully return to in-person instruction through ODE’s On-Site or Hybrid instructional models, the criteria below must be met, including the metrics table that follows:
 - If a school draws >10% of students or >10% of staff from a given county where case rates or test positivity put them in the “Transition” column (see metrics table below) they should consider delaying a return to in-person instructional models until these counties also meet the required metrics, unless after discussion with the local public health authority a collaborative decision is made that the neighboring county community spread does not pose significantly higher-risk.

Metrics & Models	On-Site	On-Site & CDL	Transition	CDL
County Case Rate per 100,000 people over 14 days.	< 50.00	50.00 - < 100.00	100.00 - ≤ 200.00	> 200.00
County Test Positivity	< 5.0%	5.0% - < 8.0%	8.0% - ≤ 10.0%	> 10.0%
Instructional Model	Prioritize Hybrid or On-Site Instructional Models	Prioritize Careful Phasing In of Hybrid or On-Site Instructional Models (starting with K-3 and adding additional grades).	Consider transition to CDL with allowable Limited In-Person Instruction. ↑ = Work closely with County Public Health ↓ = Remain in CDL	Implement CDL with allowable Limited In-Person Instruction only.

*CDL: Comprehensive Distance Learning

* October 30, 2020

Benton County Metrics - Updated:

Time Period	Case Count	Cases per 100,000	Test Positivity
11/29/2020 – 12/12/2020	N/A	301.0	3.7%
11/22/2020 – 12/05/2020	190	202.4	3.2%
11/15/2020 – 11/28/2020	175	180.2	2.5%
11/08/2020 – 11/21/2020	195	205.6	2.1%
11/01/2020 – 11/14/2020	150	159.0	1.5%
10/25/2020 – 11/07/2020	74	78.4	0.9%
10/18/2020 – 10/31/2020	52	55.1	2.0%

Status of School Learning Models:

If state metrics allow following Winter Break:

- All schools will operate in the **Comprehensive Distance Learning (CDL)** Model for the first week following the winter break (Tuesday, 01/05/2021 – Monday, 01/11/2021).
- Students in Kindergarten – 3rd grades will begin returning to school in the **hybrid learning model** on **Tuesday, January 12, 2021**.
- Students in 4th and 5th grades will begin returning to school in the **hybrid learning model** on Tuesday, **January 26, 2021**.
- Secondary schools, including students in 6th-12th grades, are planning to return students to school facilities possibly as soon as Tuesday, **January 26, 2021**.
- As long as groups are in the **Hybrid Learning Model**, each Monday will remain a CDL day for students.
- Planning return for students to school facilities is as follows. Changes to metrics may alter plans.
 - **K-3rd Grade:**
 - January 5-8 & 11, 2021 Quarantine Week
(2 Days CDL and 2 Days Hybrid Prep for Teachers)
 - January 12-15, 2021 Hybrid Learning
 - January 18, 2021 No School – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
 - January 19-22, 2021 Hybrid Learning
 - January 25, 2021 No School – End of 2nd Quarter/1st Semester
 - January 26-29, 2021 Start Full In-Person Learning (If Possible)
 - **4th-5th Grade:**
 - January 5-8 & 11, 2021 Quarantine Week
(2 Days CDL and 2 Days Hybrid Prep for Teachers)
 - January 12-15, 2021 CDL
 - January 18, 2021 No School – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
 - January 19-22, 2021 CDL
 - January 25, 2021 No School – End of 2nd Quarter/1st Semester
 - January 26-29, 2021 Start Hybrid Learning Model
 - **6th-12th Grade:**
 - January 5-8 & 11, 2021 CDL for All Students (Quarantine Week)
 - January 12-22, 2021 CDL for All Students
 - January 25, 2021 No School – End of 2nd Quarter/1st Semester
 - January 26, 2021 Start of Hybrid or In-Person Learning (6th-8th)
 - February 2, 2021 Start of Hybrid or In-Person Learning (9th-12th)

Small Group, In-Person Instruction during CDL:

- With the exception of Blodgett Elementary School, each of our Philomath schools are seeing students in small group cohorts.
- Small groups remain limited to specific purposes and not voluntarily open for all students.

- Teacher and/or school recommendations for student participation are based on the following needs:
 - Internet Connectivity Issues
 - Academic Support
 - Access Assessment
 - Provide Social, Emotional, and/or Mental Health Support
 - Support Ongoing Student Engagement and Attendance
 - Build School Community and Culture

- **Guidance for Limited In-Person Instruction during CDL (ODE, 09/2020)**
 - Cohort groups are limited to no more than twenty students at a given time in a cohort. Students cannot be a part of more than two cohorts (including transportation) in any given week.
 - Any one staff member cannot interact with more than three cohorts in a given day and five in a week.
 - The time a single student or student cohort of any size can spend in a school on a given day is limited to two consecutive hours and cannot be intermittent.
 - The absolute number of students who can come to a school within a given week is limited to 250 students.

Return to K-12 Athletics Metrics:

County Risk Levels are updated every two weeks in response to how COVID-19 is spreading in our communities.

On Tuesday of Week One (called the ‘Warning Week’), the previous week’s data is published so counties can prepare for potential risk level changes the following week.

On Tuesday of Week Two (called the ‘Movement Week’), data for the previous two weeks is published and County Risk Levels are determined. Risk Levels take effect on Friday and remain in effect for the next two weeks while the process repeats.

Benton County Metrics - Updated:

Time Period	Risk Level	Week Status	In Session?
11/30/2020 – 12/19/2020	TBD	Warning	Continue Prior Plan thru 12/29/2020
11/29/2020 – 12/12/2020	TBD (Tuesday, 12/15/2020)	Movement	Yes (12/18/2020) Extreme = Suspend 12/21-12/29/2020 High = Continue 12/21-29/2021
11/22/2020 – 12/05/2020	Extreme	Warning	Yes (12/18/2020)