



ELIZABETH FORWARD SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Elizabeth Forward Parent/Guardian,

The Pennsylvania Department of Health and the Department of Education provided additional guidance in responding to COVID-19 cases in school districts. **This is a fluid situation, therefore, please continue to plan for daycare with the possibility of one or more schools closing at any given time.**

The following are thresholds we will be using to close our elementary schools when Allegheny County is in the “substantial” range.

K-5 school buildings following the identification of a case(s) of COVID-19:

During Substantial Risk Period, beginning Monday, December 14, 2020	
Number of COVID-19 cases in the same school building during a 14-day rolling period	Action Step
2-4 students/staff	Close school(s) for 3-7 days (remote learning), contact trace, and clean area(s) where cases spent time.
5 + students/staff	Close school(s) for 14 days (remote learning) and deep clean the entire school.

The following are thresholds we will be using to close our Middle and High Schools (500-900 Students) when Allegheny County is in the “substantial” range.

6-12 school buildings following the identification of a case(s) of COVID-19:

During Substantial Risk Period, beginning Monday, December 14, 2020	
Number of COVID-19 cases in the same school building during a 14-day rolling period	Action Step
4-6 students/staff	Close school(s) for 3-7 days (remote learning), contact trace, and clean area(s) where cases spent time.
7 + students/staff	Close school(s) for 14 days (remote learning) and deep clean the entire school.

We are committed to keeping your child and our whole school community safe and healthy. **We ask you to use the District’s Symptom Screening Tool everyday with your child. If your child becomes symptomatic or may have been in close contact with a positive case, your child needs to stay home and please notify the school nurse immediately.**

We are so proud of our EFSD community for working together. We are truly EFstrong! If you have any questions regarding the information in this letter, please contact my office at 412-896-2310.

Thank you,

Dr. Todd E. Keruskin
Superintendent of Schools