



GENESEE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Genesee Intermediate School District Return to Learn and Continuity of Services Plan 2022-2023

The Genesee Intermediate School District will continue to prioritize full, in-person teaching and learning which provides the greatest benefit to our students. The 2022-2023 Return to Learn Plan provides detailed guidance to ensure that COVID-19 prevention and mitigation strategies are implemented in a way that furthers optimal learning environments while simultaneously ensuring the health and safety for students and staff in our services and programs. This plan developed by the GISD and supported by guidance from the Genesee County Health Department (GCHD) to ensure that our school district has a detailed plan for a successful and safe school environment.

Please Note: This plan may change and evolve as knowledge changes surrounding current and potential variants or if the risks of severe disease, hospitalizations, or death increase. The plan may also need to vary based on in-school/building COVID-19 activity and outbreaks. If such changes are necessary, transition time may be needed to allow the GISD or specific building to adjust mitigation strategies. This plan will be reviewed at least every six months, and updates will be completed and communicated as necessary.

Supporting Documents: [MDE and MDHHS "Managing Communicable Diseases in Schools"](#)
[MDHHS Readiness, Response, Recovery Cycle CDC Community Levels Mi Safe Start Map](#)

The CDC will determine the COVID-19 community level for the county. Based on the community COVID-19 level, in consultation with the GCHD, the GISD will determine the number of mitigation strategies to implement to advance optimal learning environments while simultaneously ensuring the health and safety of students and staff.

The GISD will comply with any and all local, state, and federal mandates/orders.

- Genesee County Health Department (GCHD)
- Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC)
- Office of Head Start (OHS)

The plan on the following pages outlines measures for the CDC COVID-19 Community Levels of low, medium, and high.

The left column (green) represents low community levels; the middle column (yellow) represents medium community levels; and the right column (red) represents high community levels.

Recommended Prevention/Mitigation Strategies:

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Instructional Format		
In-person instruction will occur.	In-person instruction will occur.	In-person instruction will occur, but some classes, rooms, or buildings may be moved temporarily to remote instruction if recommended by the GCHD.
Cleaning and Disinfecting		
The GISD will continue to follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures.	The GISD will continue to follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures.	The GISD will follow regular cleaning and disinfection procedures. Additional cleaning and disinfecting procedures may be implemented in classrooms if needed.
COVID-19 Testing		
Testing will not be required but may be offered to staff and families.		

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Extracurricular and Field Trips		
Extracurricular activities and/or field trips may occur as scheduled.	Extracurricular activities and/or field trips may occur as scheduled.	Extracurricular activities and/or field trips may be delayed or cancelled.
Face Coverings (Masks)		
Masks are available for all staff, students, volunteers, and visitors but are not required.	Masks are available for all staff, students, volunteers, and visitors but are not required.	Masks are available for all staff, students, volunteers, and visitors but are not required. The GISD will require masks when directed by the GCHD, MDHHS, CDC, and/or OHS
Food Service		
The GISD will continue normal food service operations.	The GISD will continue normal food service operations.	The GISD will continue normal food service operations. Additional health and safety protocols may be put in place if recommended by the GCHD.
Gathering and Facility Use		
No restrictions on gatherings or use of facilities.	No restrictions on gatherings or use of facilities.	Restrictions on gathering size and/or use of facilities may be implemented. Outside agency use of facilities may be restricted.
Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette		
Hand Hygiene will be encouraged and Hand Sanitation Stations will be utilized.	Hand Hygiene will be encouraged and Hand Sanitation Stations will be utilized.	Hand Hygiene will be encouraged and Hand Sanitation Stations will be utilized.
Isolation and Quarantine		
The GISD will follow current guidance and requirements of the GCHD.		

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Meetings and Conferences		
In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences will be permitted.	In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences will be permitted.	In-district/out-of-district meetings and conferences may be limited.
Offices		
All GISD offices and buildings will be open for normal school business. Visitors and guests are allowed in buildings per GISD policy.	All GISD offices and buildings will be open for normal school business. Visitors and guests are allowed in buildings per GISD policy.	All GISD offices and buildings will be open for normal school business. Additional health and safety protocols may be put in place as deemed appropriate along with limiting visitors and guests as recommended by the GCHD.
Remote/Virtual Learning		
Face-to-face instruction continues to be a priority for all students. The GISD will do its best to provide resources for students who are unable to attend in person learning due to isolation or quarantine. If a classroom or school is closed, all students impacted by the closure may be provided remote learning opportunities throughout the duration of the closure.		
Social Distancing		
Social distancing measures are not required.	Social distancing measures are not required.	Social distancing measures may be put in place. Adjustments to school procedures, schedules, activities, etc., may be adjusted for social distancing requirements.
Health Screening		
Parents/guardians should conduct a daily student wellness check prior to sending students to school. See the student illness section.		

LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
Student Illness		
<p>Students exhibiting the following symptoms that are new or may experience a change from baseline health or chronic illness, should remain home or may be excluded from school until the student is symptom-free for 24 hours without the aid of medication or as indicated for their illness. (See GCHD COVID-19 Response Guidance 2022-2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temperature 100.4+ or signs of fever (chills/sweating) • Sore throat • New onset of cough • Diarrhea • Vomiting • Abdominal pain • New onset of headache • Loss of taste or smell • Congestion or runny nose • Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing • Fatigue • Muscle or body aches 		
Transportation		
Normal transportation operations will occur.	Normal transportation operations will occur.	Normal transportation operations will occur. Additional health and safety protocols may be put in place as recommended by the GCHD.