

Franklin Public Schools

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Reopening of Schools 2020-2021

Status Update March 4, 2021

Health Metrics -- Past Four Weeks of Data

	Franklin				MA			
Report Date DPH	Avg Daily Cases per 100,000	Trend	% +		Avg Daily Cases per 100,000	Trend	%+	Trend
2/11	38.7	Lower	3.74%	Lower	38.5	Lower	3.40%	Lower
2/18	25.1	Lower	2.44%	Lower	30.0	Lower	2.70%	Lower
2/25	14.7	Lower	1.36%	Lower	23.3	Lower	2.15%	Lower
3/4	11.8	Lower	1.11%	Lower	21.3	Lower	1.93%	Lower

Past Four Weeks of Cases in Franklin Public Schools

Positive Cases Week of	Positive Cases Cumulative FPS*	Number of Students in Quarantine (% of 4089)	Number of Staff in Quarantine due to self or children (% of approx. 750)
11 Individuals (week of 2/6)	236 (9/16-2/12)	83 (2%)	14 (1.9%)
6 Individuals (week of 2/13)	242 (9/16-2/19)	N/A	N/A
11 Individuals (week of 2/20)	253 (9/16-2/26)	48 (1%)	7 (0.9%)
8 Individuals (week of 2/27)	261 (9/16-3/5)	39 (1%)	8 (1.1%)

Open Questions

- 1. How can the district support staff to sustain the demands of teaching and learning in the hybrid and remote environments?
- 2. How will pool testing and vaccinations of staff contribute to a shift in the instructional model to in person learning?

In lieu of a narrative presentation here about Teaching and Learning, Digital Learning, Whole Child Supports, and Health and Safety, updates related to these categories will be discussed when the Superintendent shares more detail about opening school for in person instruction this spring at the 3/9/21 meeting.

Selected Issues from Recent Updates and Status of Actions

Issue	Action	Anticipated Timeframe	Status
Pool testing	Three rounds of pool testing have been piloted at Oak St. Elementary School and Horace Mann Middle School. These administrators and staff are to be commended for serving as pilot sites. The onboarding process is ongoing in all schools, who are scheduled to begin pool testing at their locations on March 8. As of March 4, no pool has yielded positive results. Results have been returned within 24 hours.	Spring 2021	In process