



Franklin Public Schools

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Reopening of Schools 2020-2021

Status Update

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Health Metrics -- Past Four Weeks of Data (14-day trends)

	Franklin		MA	
Report Date DPH	Avg Daily Cases per 100,000	% +	Avg Daily Cases per 100,000	% +
4/15	20.6	1.99%	27.4	2.48%
4/22	15.2	1.59%	24.7	2.30%
4/29	12.2	1.3%	20.0	2.01%
5/6	11	1.23%	15.9	1.73%

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)
14 Individuals (week of 4/10)	334 (9/16-4/16)	107 (3%)	7 (0.9%)
5 Individuals (week of 4/17)	339 (9/16-4/23)	N/A (April Vacation)	N/A (April Vacation)
6 Individuals (week of 4/24)	345 (9/16-4/30)	19 (0.5%)	1 (0.1%)
8 Individuals (week of 5/1)	353 (9/16-5/7)	42 (1%)	0

Pool Testing Data

Cumulative 2/25 -- 5/7	11,216 Swabs	1615 Pools	14 Positive Pools 5 False Positive Pools
Week of 5/3 -- 5/7	1491	176	2 Positive Pools

Week of 4/26 -- 4/30	1568 Swabs	165 Pools	1 Positive Pool
Week of 4/19 -- 4/23	N/A - April vacation	N/A - April vacation	N/A - April vacation
Week of 4/12 -- 4/16	1649 Swabs	178 Pools	2 Positive Pools 2 False Positive Pools
Week of 4/5 -- 4/9	1434 Swabs	172 Pools	3 Positive Pools 2 False Positive Pools
Week of 3/29 -- 4/2	1383 Swabs	172 Pools	4 Positive Pools 1 False Positive Pool
Week of 3/22-3/26	1151 Swabs	169 Pools	2 Positive Pools

Open Questions

1. Will we have to pivot to remote learning for any period of time in one or more schools due to a cluster of cases or staffing challenges due to quarantine restrictions?
2. As we approach the end of the year, how can we continue to hold our traditional events but modify and do so in a healthy and safe way? What can we do to keep our remote only students included in these activities?
3. What can we learn in the last few months of school in order to plan for a successful 2021-2022 school year? What should we put into place now to carry into the following school year?

Teaching and Learning

In accordance with federal and state requirements, MCAS testing is underway at FHS this week with grades 3-8 to follow. Students test in ELA and Math in grades 3-8 and 10. Additionally, students test in science in grades 5, 8, and HS Biology. In light of the pandemic, high school graduation requirements for MCAS have been adjusted for the class of 2021 and 2022. All MCAS testing will be concluded by mid-June. Juniors aiming to earn the Seal of Biliteracy may opt into the ELA MCAS testing.

Advanced Placement (AP) tests have begun at FHS with 611 students participating in 24 subject area tests. Results come in over the summer. Good luck to all of our hard working students. FHS is in the Top 10 schools in the state as far as #'s of AP exams we administer! This includes private and public schools.

NWEA assessments will be given at the elementary level during the week of June 7. We are repeating the assessments given in March for grades K-3 to identify areas of strengths and challenges for the district. This will provide needed data so that we will be able to more effectively aid students in meeting academic expectations. Some schools will also be piloting the Reading and/or Math assessments in other grades in June. We believe that the experience with NWEA this year will inform our work in this area in grades K-8 next year so that we can administer assessments, make informed decisions about instruction, progress monitor, and assess growth.

Other

The Elementary and Secondary Education Emergency Relief (ESSER) round II application will be completed in the next few weeks with funds anticipated to be used in FY22 for instructional interventionists, permanent building substitutes, and counseling services.

ESSER III guidance and allocations are due to be released next week. We anticipate an allocation of approximately \$1.1 M.