



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	% +
5/27	1.5	0.58%	3.9	1.03%
6/3	1.3	0.47%	3.9	0.85%
6/10	1.3	0.45%	2.4	0.63%
6/17	0	0%	1.6	0.50%

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)
3 Individuals (week of 5/22)	359 (9/16-5/28)	8 (0.1%)	0
1 Individuals (week of 5/29)	360 (9/16-6/3)	6 (0.1%)	0
3 Individuals (week of 6/5)	363 (9/16-6/10)	10 (0.2%)	0
4 Individuals (week of 6/12)	367 (9/16-6/17)	15 (0.4%)	0

Pool Testing Data

Cumulative 2/25 -- 5/21	17,470 Swabs	2376 Pools	17 Positive Pools 5 False Positive Pools
Week of 6/7 -- 6/11	1091 Swabs	135 Pools	1 Positive Pool

Week of 6/1 -- 6/4	1407 Swabs	168 Pools	0 Positive Pools
Week of 5/24 -- 5/28	1381 Swabs	166 Pools	1 Positive Pools
Week of 5/17 -- 5/21	984 Swabs	128 Pools	1 Positive Pool
Week of 5/10 -- 5/14	1391 Swabs	164 Pools	0 Positive Pools
Week of 5/3 -- 5/7	1491 Swabs	176 Pools	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. 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?

Health and Safety

1. Project Beacon testing data

FPS ended pool testing on Thursday, June 10 as a result of our LPN nursing students from Tri-County no longer being available. Many thanks go to these wonderful students, our LPNs, our RNs, our school nurse leader Patty Elias, Ms. Paula Marano, building principals and assistant principals, Asst. Superintendent Lucas Giguere for instituting this program. As a result of the program, we had 17 total positive pools with 5 false positives. We were able to identify individuals and isolate/quarantine through contact tracing in order to help keep the community safer.

Project Beacon (our vendor and one of three vendors providing pool testing through DESE) shared the following statistics:

- 26K pooled tests
- 185K students and staff
- 113 potential positive cases
- 85 positives confirmed through either rapid antigen or individual PCR testing

2. Summer health and safety practices

DESE is not requiring school districts to have students masked or distanced in summer programs. We are in the process of identifying our approach to health and safety practices this summer in our Extended School Year, Solutions, and Summer School programs.

3. Vaccine clinic

Many thanks to Paula Marano and Patty Elias for putting the vaccine clinic together for students and household members. Thank you, too, to Denise Miller for assistance with the scheduling of appointments. A mobile bus set up outside each middle school and our high school for 3 hours on Monday, June 14 and Tuesday, June 15. We hosted about 120 appointments across two days. The bus will return for second doses on July 6 and 7.