

Board Meeting Date: March 11, 2021

COVID-19 Board Report

PURPOSE: Provide an Update about District 191's efforts to implement COVID-19 related educational and public health guidance issued by the MDE and the MDH, respectively (Maximize resources for optimal student learning).

Tonight I will share information related to the four primary areas of our planning: Health & Safety, Secondary Learning Model update, Activities and Operations.

Health and Safety (MDH): Represents confirmed cases 2/14/21 to 2/27/21. Dakota County is 24.96, an increase from 23.22 and Scott County is 25.60, an decrease from 27.76.

Per the previous recommended policy options secondary would be in the hybrid learning model.

Per Governor Walz's announcement on Wednesday, February 17, Minnesota's Safe Learning Plan has been updated so that based on CDC guidance, if a school is currently in an in-person or hybrid model, the county-level data alone does not impact the need to transition to a more restrictive model. Instead, schools should rely on school-level COVID-19 transmission data and staff capacities when making the decision to transition learning models.

Bernie Bien will now share analysis of County data and 191 data and an update about activities guidance related to the cases in Eastern Carver County.

County Updates:

Learning Model Parameters

Number of cases per 10,000 over 14 days, by county of residence	Learning Model
0-9	In-person learning for all students
10-19	In-person learning for elementary students; hybrid learning for secondary students
20-29	Hybrid learning for all students
30-49	Hybrid learning for elementary students; distance learning for secondary students
50+	Distance learning for all students

See plans for Class of 2021 activities and presentation for Health and Safety Mitigation and Vaccine update, Secondary Learning Plan and Operational updates.

Plans for Class of 2021 Activities:

MDH and MDE guidance regarding large group gatherings (<https://staysafe.mn.gov/individuals-families/entertainment-venues.jsp>) has not been updated to provide new information for planning graduation, prom or other senior senior class activities. There have been no decisions made regarding these events for BHS and BAHS. High school administration is being proactive and planning alternatives to the usual prom, graduation, and senior party so they are prepared to offer fun, meaningful celebrations and still keep students safe. We are continuing to monitor state and local health guidance. Principal Helke and Principal Ronn have begun communicating with families and will continue throughout the spring.