COVID-19 Resources

for School Administrators, Staff, and Educators

Use this guide as a directory to find CDC resources about a safe return to in-person learning — including practical tips and recommendations about masking, distancing, testing, vaccination promotion, and more.

CDC Guidance and Background

- Guidance for COVID-19 Prevention in K–12 Schools: CDC landing page for the full set of recommendations for K–12 schools.
- Transmission of COVID-19 in K–12 Schools: Summarizes evidence on COVID-19 among children and adolescents and what is known about preventing transmission in schools and Early Care and Education programs.
- CDC COVID Data Tracker: Track community transmission rates, vaccination levels, and more.

Masks, Distancing, and Other Strategies

Recommendations and tips for masking, distancing, cleaning, and other ways to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in schools

- Your Guide to Masks and Tips for Correct Mask Use
- Recommendations for Physical Distancing
- Ventilation in Schools and Child Care Programs
- Cleaning and Disinfecting
- Respiratory Etiquette and Handwashing

Testing and Contact Tracing

Resources to help you promptly identify cases, clusters, and outbreaks, and tips on what to do if a student becomes sick

- Flowchart: What To Do If A Student Becomes Sick
- What To Do if a Student is Showing Signs of COVID-19 and Needs to be Isolated
- COVID-19 Symptoms
- COVID-19 Testing Strategies for K–12 Schools
- Contact Tracing and Case Investigation in K–12 Schools

Promoting COVID-19 Vaccination

Information about COVID-19 vaccines for adolescents, and tips and tools to answer questions about vaccination

- COVID-19 Vaccine Toolkit for Staff in School Settings and Childcare Programs
- How Schools Can Support COVID-19 Vaccination
- CDC Fact Sheets and Key Things to Know
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Myths and Facts
- Tips for Talking About COVID-19 Vaccines
- Print Resource: COVID-19 Vaccine for Children and Teens

School-Located Vaccination Clinics (SLV)

Practical considerations, tips, and communications resources for hosting an on-site clinic

- Considerations for Planning SLV Clinics
- Special Considerations for COVID-19 SLV Clinics
- Customizable Content for SLV Communications
- Routine Vaccination Recommendations
- COVID-19 Vaccine Training Modules
- Printable Promotional Resources