### PRE-K-12 RECOMMENDATIONS BASED ON LEVEL OF COMMUNITY SPREAD

This information is designed to help local officials make decisions about school operations based on the level of COVID-19 in their counties.

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| **SCHOOL RECOMMENDATIONS** | • Schools may operate all grades in-person school taking all proper precautions including maximizing social distancing, focus on hand hygiene, and masks. *  
• Limit activities where social distancing is not feasible. | • Schools may continue all grades in-person school but should be vigilant in taking all proper precautions including maximizing social distancing, focus on hand hygiene, and masks. *  
• No assemblies or activities where social distancing is not feasible. | • Grade schools may remain in-person.  
• Strong recommendation for hybrid learning for middle and high school students to allow for more social distancing in school. Continue to focus on hand hygiene and masks. *, **  
• No assemblies or large group activities. | • Grade schools may remain in-person or consider hybrid learning to allow for more social distancing.  
• Middle and high schools should consider virtual learning or continue with hybrid with strict social distancing and mask guidelines. *, **  
• No assemblies or large group activities. |
| **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES** | • Extracurricular activities to follow state and local event gathering guidelines with social distancing and masks except when doing strenuous activity.  
• Limit spectators in accordance with state and local guidelines. | • Be vigilant about precautions for extra-curricular activities and postpone or cancel activities as warranted.  
• Athletic and extra-curricular activities should consider permitting parents/guardians and close family only. | • Strong recommendation to limit extra-curricular activities and consider events with competitors/participants only, no in-person attendees. | • Extracurricular activities should be canceled. |
| **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** | • Engage community to actively participate in continued precautions.  
• Discussion with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school. | • Discussion with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school.  
• Local education leaders work with county health officials to determine if increased precautions and community engagement activities are necessary to prevent escalation of disease. | • Discussion with parents and guardians about limiting social events outside of school.  
• Local county education leaders will work collaboratively with local health departments to consider implementation of aggressive precaution measures both in schools and communities. | • Discourage social events.  
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* Continue strict contact tracing, education about testing and staying home when ill or a close contact. Be prepared to move to virtual learning and provide virtual options for medically vulnerable children and families who select that option for their children.

** Strong recommendation for all school systems to maintain a building that is open to assist students with remote learning, to ensure safety and food security or to enter into an agreement with community organizations to do the same.