



# COVID-19

## Return to School Guidance: Western Dubuque Schools #wdbqschools

**Return to School:** As we make plans for students and staff to return to school in a face-to-face learning format, we recognize it is impossible to eliminate all exposure risks. We are instituting measures to make the learning environment as safe as possible by implementing a COVID-19-aware, rather than a COVID-19-free approach.

[Click here for specific return to school details](#)

**Assess Your Health:** Families are required to pre-screen children for illness prior to sending to school daily (WDCSD will not be responsible for screening temperatures upon arrival). Students with a measured temperature of 100.4 or higher should not attend school and remain home.

**General Health and Safety Recommendations:** Consistent with the Iowa Department of Education, WDCSD students and staff will not be required to wear face coverings. The personal use of face coverings is allowed, but not required.

**Procedural Safety Recommendations:** Additional cleaning/disinfecting procedures, hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette, limited visitors to school buildings, and maximization of space for safe distancing will be used as much as possible.

**Transportation:** District busing will operate at typical capacity. It is recommended that riders wear face masks and buses will be disinfected before, after, and in-between routes.

**Potential Spread:** Positive cases of COVID-19 will be reported to public health officials. Their guidance will determine next steps and safety procedures. The decision or possibility of classroom, school, or district closures will be made in conjunction with local health officials.