

# 2021-2022 FTCSC COVID-19 Plan

TOPIC	EXPECTATIONS			
General Information	FTCSC has created this updated 2021-2022 plan based on known information at this time. Mandates from the Marion County Public Health Department or another health agency could cause the plan to change.			
Masks/Face Coverings	<ul> <li>Grades K-12: Masks are highly recommended to decrease contact tracing quarantines but are still at the parent's discretion.</li> <li>Bus Riders are required to wear masks on buses, according to a federal mandate. Per updated CDC guidelines, if a positive COVID-19 student and a close contact student were both wearing a mask and the close contact student does not have any symptoms, then the close contact student does not need to quarantine.</li> <li>Note: It is recommended that ALL STUDENTS, including car riders, bring a mask to school every day in case their parent/guardian instructs them to ride the bus due to unexpected circumstances.</li> </ul>			
Nurses Clinic Locations	<ul> <li>Schools will have a designated area for students displaying COVID-19 symptoms and waiting to be picked up.</li> </ul>			
Symptom Screenings	<ul> <li>FTCSC Families are expected to screen their children and keep them home if they are ill.</li> <li>Students and staff should stay at home if they have a fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or exhibit a COVID-19 symptom.</li> <li>Staff members will need to follow the daily COVID-19 email protocol for symptom screening.</li> </ul>			
Water Bottles	<ul> <li>Water Bottle filling stations will remain in place.</li> <li>Water fountains will only be available to refill water bottles.</li> </ul>			
Handwashing	<ul> <li>FTCSC encourages students and staff to regularly wash your hands.</li> <li>Hand sanitizer will continue to be available in classrooms and common areas.</li> </ul>			
Vaccination and Testing	<ul> <li>Being vaccinated is one way to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.</li> <li>COVID-19 Testing is reliable and sites are available in our area.</li> </ul>			
Cleaning and Disinfecting	<ul> <li>Desks and hard surfaces will continue to be disinfected regularly.</li> <li>Teachers and staff will continue to use sanitizer and cleaning products as needed throughout the school day.</li> <li>School air filtration systems meet all requirements for the amount of fresh air circulating.</li> </ul>			
Physical Distancing	<ul> <li>Classroom spacing of 3 feet is recommended.</li> <li>Contact tracing will be conducted for individuals within 3 feet.</li> <li>Per updated CDC guidelines, if a positive COVID-19 student and a close contact student were both wearing a mask and the close contact student does not have any symptoms, then the close contact student does not need to quarantine.</li> <li>Students will use lockers this year.</li> </ul>			
Visitors	Visitors may enter the building. Joining students for lunch is not permitted.			
School Bus	<ul> <li>Per Federal Mandate, the use of mask/face coverings will be required on school buses and all forms of public transportation.</li> <li>Per updated CDC guidelines, if a positive COVID-19 student and a close contact student were both wearing a mask and the close contact student does not have any symptoms, then the close contact student does not need to quarantine.</li> </ul>			



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School Meals	<ul> <li>Students will cohort at the same lunch table.</li> <li>Visitors will not be permitted to eat lunch with students.</li> </ul>	
Field Trips	<ul> <li>All Field Trips will be approved on a case by case basis.</li> <li>All participants will be expected to follow the restrictions of the destination area.</li> </ul>	
Athletics and Extracurricular		

#### COVID-19 Health Plan

#### Parent/Staff Education and Guidelines

If a student or staff member has one or more of the following symptoms they will be excluded from school. Parents should screen their child for symptoms prior to school each day. The child should not be sent to school and called into the attendance line if they exhibit one or more signs of COVID-19 infection including but not limited to:

- Fever above 100.0 F or chills
- Cough or Shortness of Breath-especially new onset, uncontrolled coughing
- Sore throat
- Abdominal pain
- Headache-particularly new onset of severe headache, especially with fever
- New loss of taste/smell
- Diarrhea
- Nausea or Vomiting

#### If a student complains of or shows signs/symptoms of COVID-19 during the school day:

- The teacher will contact the school nurse prior to sending the student down to allow assessment to be completed in a separate, isolated area.
- The student will be provided a mask upon entry to the isolation clinic/area per CDC guidance.
- The school nurse will assess the student in the clinic/clinic area designated for illness.
- The school nurse will use their professional assessment skills along with consultation of local and state health department guidelines to determine the needed course of action.

#### Per Indiana State Department of Health:

- If a student, faculty, or staff member tests positive for COVID-19, then siblings, household members, and other close contacts should follow close contact guidelines for quarantine.
- A symptomatic student, faculty, or staff member and anyone living in the household should quarantine while waiting for test results.

#### Sick Day Guidelines and returning to school after COVID-19 symptoms.

Once a student or employee is excluded from the school environment, they may return if they satisfy the recommendations of the CDC. Currently those guidelines are:

#### Symptomatic, NOT tested for COVID-19 and NOT a close contact of a COVID-19 positive person:

Persons who have not received a test proving or disproving the presence of COVID-19 but experience symptoms may return when the following conditions are met:

- The individual must remain home at least 10 days from the start of symptoms
   And
- Other symptoms have improved (for example, when your cough or shortness of breath have improved);
   And
- Be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications
- The state <u>website</u> has a list of over 200 testing facilities, their location, and hours of operation. This list is updated frequently.

OR

• Individuals with an alternate diagnosis provided by a healthcare provider will not need to isolate but will need to provide the school with documentation advising return to school from the provider.

#### Tested Positive- Symptomatic and NOT a known close contact of a COVID-19 positive case

Persons who experienced symptoms and have been tested positive for COVID-19 may return to school if the following conditions are met:

- At least 10 calendar days have passed since symptoms first appeared
- They have not had a fever for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medications
   And
- Other symptoms have improved (for example, when your cough or shortness of breath have improved)

#### Tested Positive- Asymptomatic and NOT a known close contact of a COVID-19 positive case

Persons who have not had symptoms but test positive for COVID-19 may return:

When they have gone 10 calendar days past their test date without symptoms.

#### Tested Negative-Symptomatic and NOT a known close contact of a COVID-19 positive case

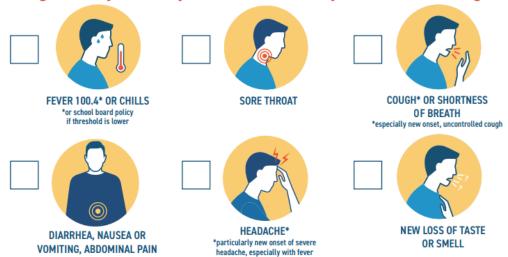
- Persons who display symptoms but receive a negative test result, may return to school if they have been fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medications.
- Documentation of the negative test result must be provided to the school upon return.

#### Close Contacts of a person verified as COVID-19 Positive

- Students that are identified as a close contact of an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 will be required to complete a 10 day guarantine from school.
- The quarantine period begins on the last day of known close contact.
- The school nurse or other designated school staff will provide the student's date of return.
- Students who provide proof of being fully vaccinated (both doses have been given and at least 2 weeks have passed since the last dose) or that can show they had a positive test result within the last 90 days will not be quarantined as long as symptoms do not present.

## COVID-19 Screening for Parents

Every morning before you send your child to school please check for signs of illness:



<sup>\*</sup>May present with more than one symptom. This list does not include all possible symptoms.

- 1 Does your child have any sign of illness above?
- Were you in close contact (within 6 feet for a total of 15 minutes over a 24-hour period) with anyone confirmed with COVID-19?
- If the answer is **YES** to any of the questions, **DO NOT** send your student to school. Instead, begin isolation of your child and contact your healthcare provider. Have you been tested for COVID-19? Only a positive test or provider diagnosis can confirm if someone has a current infection.
- Please keep your student home until they meet the criteria.
- If you have trouble breathing, chest pain, new confusion, inability to wake or stay awake or bluish lips or face

**CALL 911!** 



# **COVID-19 VACCINE**

### **Latest Updates & Resources**



August 5, 2021

#### Are you fully vaccinated?

#### Here is the updated guidance:

Last week, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) <u>updated its guidance</u> for people fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to ensure they would not unknowingly transmit virus to others. This update was in response to <u>recent data</u> on the ability of vaccinated people to transmit the Delta variant.

#### **New CDC guidance includes:**

- Vaccinated people should wear masks indoors if they are in an area of high or substantial transmission
  - o Learn if you are in an area of high or substantial transmission at the CDC's <u>COVID Data Tracker</u>.
- Everyone in a K-12 school setting, vaccinated or unvaccinated, should be masked.
- Fully vaccinated people who have a known exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 should be tested 3-5 days after exposure, even if they don't have symptoms, and wear a mask in public indoor settings for 14 days or until they receive a negative test result.

#### Free Colts tickets!

As part of the Indianapolis Colts training camp at <u>Grand Park Sport Campus</u> in Westfield, a <u>COVID-19 vaccine clinic</u> will be on-site administering the two-dose Pfizer vaccine\*, approved for people 12 and older. <u>Two preseason game tickets to the Panthers vs. Colts game on Sunday, Aug. 15, will be given to each person who receives a vaccine before <u>game day.</u> (\*The second vaccine dose will be scheduled when you receive your first dose. No appointment necessary.)</u>

DATE & TIME: Aug. 8, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19, 23 & 24: 8 a.m. – noon | Aug. 12 & 13: 3 – 7 p.m.

To date, **2,967,326** Hoosiers have been fully vaccinated!

#### More mobile clinics

An Indiana Department of Health mobile clinic may be coming to your area. No appointment necessary! If you'd like to save some time and make an appointment or check an address, visit <a href="OurShot.IN.gov">OurShot.IN.gov</a> and search by the clinic's name or city. (All sites will administer Johnson & Johnson and Pfizer.)

Aug. 6, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

- Red Gold Orestes, Orestes
   Aug. 6, 5 p.m. 9 p.m. and
   Aug. 7, 10 a.m. 9 p.m.
- Jasper Strassenfest, Jasper
   Aug. 6 7, 4 9 p.m.
- Franklin Co. 4-H Fair, Brookville

#### Aug. 7, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

• Block Party at Flanner House, Indianapolis

#### Aug. 12 – 14, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

 New Haven Fire Department, New Haven

## **Expanded tax credits** to employers

Last week, the U.S. Treasury
Department announced <u>expanded</u>
<u>tax credits</u> to employers for paid leave
to incentivize time off for employees
and their families to get the COVID-19
vaccine. Read FAQ's on the Internal
Revenue Service (IRS) website <u>HERE</u>.

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FULLY IMMUNIZED



NOT vaccinated

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ACCINATION (JAN 18-NOW)

"Your odds of being hospitalized if you are vaccinated are 1 in 18,795. But they become 1 in every 237 people if you develop COVID and are not vaccinated." **Dr. Lindsay Weaver,** Indiana Department of Health's chief medical officer



#### Helpful Resources

- What you can do if you are <u>fully vaccinated.</u>
- Know a homebound individual who needs a vaccine? Call 211. Agents can make an appointment.
- Proof of vaccination is available at Access Indiana. Scroll down to the "Indiana Vaccination Portal" tile, create an account, and download a vaccination certificate.
- Register for a vaccination appointment at <u>OurShot.IN.gov</u> (Chrome or Firefox). Call Indiana 211 or (1-866-211-9966) f you have difficulty registering online. ALL vaccine clinics take walk-ins.
  - $\cdot$  211 can also arrange a free voucher for transportation to and from the clinic, from the rideshare service Uber.
- Free rides to vaccine clinics are also offered by IU Health. Call 1-888-IUHEALTH (1-888-484-3258) and choose option 9.
- Learn about V-Safe, the after-vaccination health checker, and the new V-safe COVID-19 Pregnancy Registry.
- V-safe is also available now in multiple languages.
- Report any adverse effects from any vaccine to the <u>Vaccine Adverse Effect Reporting System (VAERS)</u>.

## **COVID-19 VACCINE**

**Snapshot** 

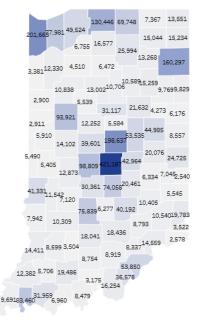




#### **Total Individuals Fully Vaccinated\***

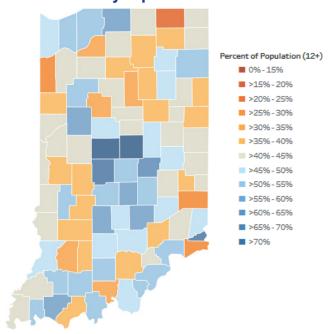






'Individuals are fully vaccinated after their 2nd dose of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, OR after a single dose of Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

# Fully Vaccinated as a Percentage of County Population 12+



Here are the latest percentages of people who are fully vaccinated by age group. These percentages include residents and staff in long-term care facilities.

75.0% of 80+	68.9% of 60-64	47.9% of 40-44	36.4% of 20-24
78.9% of 75-79	58.8% of 55-59	42.2% of 35-39	35.1% of 16-19
82.6% of 70-74	55.6% of 50-54	39.0% of 30-34	22.2% of 12-15
77.0% of 65-69	48.1% of 45-49	32.9% of 25-29	

Your <u>Indiana State Fair</u> is hosting a COVID-19 vaccination clinic now through Aug. 22 in the Hoosier Lottery Expo Hall. This walk-in clinic is offering Johnson & Johnson and Pfizer. HOURS: **Fri., Sat. & Sun 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. and Wed. & Thurs. all day** (*The fair is closed Mondays and Tuesdays.*)

**Do you need to catch up on your kids' immunizations?** The Indiana Department of Health is offering those as well in a booth adjacent to the COVID-19 vaccine clinic, with the same operating hours.





# STATE FAIR