



A NEW WAY FORWARD

Update Regarding the Start of the 2021-22 School Year

Jefferson County Board of Education
August 17, 2021

Guiding Principles



HEALTH AND SAFETY

We commit to doing everything possible to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of our students, staff, and community. Every decision we make will be in accordance with the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE), Kentucky Department for Public Health, Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness (LMDPHW), and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines for reopening schools.



HIGH-QUALITY INSTRUCTION

We commit to providing our students with high-quality instruction across all platforms in order to ensure that every student has the opportunity to learn and grow.



FLEXIBILITY

We commit to remaining flexible in these highly uncertain times. We will be ready to adapt to new public health circumstances in accordance with expert guidance in order to safeguard our students, staff, and community.

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EQUITY

We commit to fostering an environment that supports the physical, emotional and social health of our students, with a focus on removing barriers and building a system that equips all students with the tools to be successful.



ACCURATE AND TIMELY COMMUNICATION

We commit to ensuring that students, employees, and families have the information they need to remain safe, and we will keep all stakeholders up to date with important information throughout the school year.



COMMUNITY TRUST

We commit to building community trust through our actions. Every decision will be made with all stakeholders in mind and will be guided by students, employees, families, and experts.

Enrollment (Preliminary)

2021-22	2021-22 Projection	1st day count	3rd day count	5th day count	
K	7198	6423	6740	6892	95.7%
1st-5th	34257	31777	32950	33480	97.7%
6th-8th	21389	19435	20393	20741	97.0%
9th-12	27558	26608	27701	28228	102.4%
K-12 Total w/o ECE-SC	90402	84243	87784	89341	98.8%
K-12 ECE-SC	2433	1859	1968	2013	82.7%
Total with ECE-SC	92835	86102	89752	91354	98.4%
		92.7%	96.7%	98.4%	

Note: Early childhood numbers not yet included

- Consolidated Roosevelt-Perry and Wheatley
- Improvements and renovations made to the building at Wheatley
- Moved Grace James Academy into the building at 1615 West Broadway
- Improvements made for the middle school students at GJA

**Wheatley
and Grace
James
Academy**

- As of Friday, 3407 students enrolled
- Hiring additional staff
- Students can return to in-person learning at any point if they choose
- 1,865 devices and 159 hotspots distributed

**Pathfinder
School of
Innovation**

	# of Students
Black	1354
White	1294
Hispanic/ Latinx	454
Two or More	207
Asian	86
American Indian	11
Native Hawaiian	1
Grand Total	3407

Pathfinder: Demograph ics (8.13.21)

Vaccines

- **Clinics offered** at all JCPS middle and high schools (one left to go!)
- Clinics were offered between **June 4 - August 8**
 - Additional clinics were offered in collaboration with **community partners** at the following sites: Young, Central, Fairdale HS, Doss, Valley, Brandeis, and Iroquois
 - Communication about vaccine sites shared on **website** and in direct family messages
 - We will continue to work with **partners** to make vaccines available

COVID-19 Cases: Protocol

Healthy @ School Officer alerts Health Services

- A close contact is an unvaccinated **adult** who was within **6 feet** of an infected person for a cumulative total of **15 minutes** while the person was considered contagious even when wearing a mask.
- A close contact is an unvaccinated **student** who was within **3 feet** of an infected person for a cumulative total of **15 minutes** while the person was considered contagious even when wearing a mask.
- **Fully-vaccinated persons do not need to quarantine** following an exposure to a person diagnosed with COVID-19 **if not experiencing symptoms**.
 - Unvaccinated students/staff who are identified as close contacts will be instructed to **self-quarantine** regardless of if the contact is within or outside of school.

COVID Cases

- When a case comes in, close contacts are **notified** and given directions.
- A **notification** is sent to all students and staff in the school/work site when there is a positive case.
- After contact is made, the information is **entered into the system**.
- The system is then **updated** regularly on the JCPS website.

Quarantined Students

- A quarantined student is one who has been exposed to COVID-19 and has been told by a medical professional to **quarantine** as a result of a positive case or being a close contact.
- In order to keep quarantined students **connected** to their classrooms, they will have online work they can do at home provided by their classroom teacher(s) or a resource teacher provided by JCPS.
- Quarantined students will also receive live, online **instruction** and off-line **assignments**, similar to the at-home instruction that they received last school year.

Students Positive	182
Students Close Contacts Quarantined	787
Staff Positive	33
Staff Close Contacts Quarantined	30

Data covers 8.11- 8.16.21

**Quarantined
Students/Staff**

- Diagnostic screening testing is available to **students and staff** with informed consent.
- **Partner** with company(ies) on state-approved list who will provide diagnostic screening testing.
- **Consent form** is available as an online form for students and found on Parent Place. (Option for hard copy as well).
- **Consent form** for employees is also an online form. (Option for hard copy as well).

Diagnostic Screening Testing

As of Monday, August 16:

- Just over **3500** students have signed up for diagnostic screening testing
- Just over **845** staff have signed up for diagnostic screening testing
- Sign-ups are ongoing
- Additionally, school nurses can complete **symptomatic testing** with parent consent

**Diagnostic
Screening
Testing**

Free Drive Through COVID-19 Testing

JCPS is partnering with Sphere to offer free **drive-thru COVID-19 testing** at schools across the district. The testing will run from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. each day. The testing will be offered Monday-Thursday.

Locations:

- Academy @ Shawnee, 4001 Herman St.
- Ballard High School, 6000 Brownsboro Rd.
- Central High School, 1130 W Chestnut St.
- Fairdale High School, 1001 Fairdale Rd.
- Iroquois High School, 4615 Taylor Blvd.
- Marion C. Moore School, 6415 Outer Loop
- Seneca High School, 3510 Goldsmith Ln.
- T J Middle School, 1501 Rangeland Rd.
- Waggener High School, 330 S Hubbards Ln.
- Western Middle School, 2201 W Main St.
- Western High School, 2501 Rockford Ln.
- Valley High School, 10200 Dixie Hwy.

FEEDBACK & QUESTIONS