

Alamance Burlington School System and Collaboration with the Alamance County Health Department

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A little bit about school nursing

Definition of School Nursing

School nursing, a specialized practice of nursing, protects and promotes student health, facilitates optimal development, and advances academic success. School nurses, grounded in ethical and evidence-based practice, are the leaders who bridge health care and education, provide care coordination, advocate for quality student-centered care, and collaborate to design systems that allow individuals and communities to develop their full potential. *Adopted by the NASN Board of Directors February 2017.*

Resources:

- [Public Health and School Nursing: Collaborating to Promote Health](#)
- [Five Ways the School Nurse Benefits the School](#)
- [School Nurses Assess and Address Social Determinants](#)

March 2020

SCHOOLS **March 10, 2020**

NC DHHS is NOT recommending pre-emptive closure of schools and childcare centers at this time.

Mar 12, 2020

SCHOOLS

We do not recommend pre-emptive school closure at this time but do recommend that schools and childcare centers cancel or reduce large events and gatherings (e.g., assemblies) and field trips, limit inter-school interactions, and consider distance or e-learning in some settings. Students at high risk should implement individual plans for distance or e-learning. School dismissals may be necessary when staff or student absenteeism impacts the ability to remain open. Short-term closures may also be necessary to facilitate public health investigation and/or cleaning if a case is diagnosed in a student or staff member.

Mar 14, 2020

Governor Roy Cooper today ordered all K-12 public schools in North Carolina to close for a minimum of two weeks in response to COVID-19. The Executive Order also bans gatherings of more than 100 people. North Carolina currently has 23 people in 12 counties who have tested positive for COVID-19.

“We do not have the luxury of a wait-and-see approach. These are hard decisions but they are necessary so we can learn more about the virus,” Governor Cooper said. “We do not want any regrets in the rearview mirror, and I am guided by one objective – doing what we must to keep people from getting sick and to make sure that those who do can get excellent care.”

The Executive Order directs all public schools to close beginning Monday, March 16, 2020 for at least two weeks. The two-week period allows time for North Carolina to further understand the impact of COVID-19 across the state and develop a plan for continued learning for students should a longer closure be needed.

Source: <https://www.ncdhhs.gov/press-releases>

Summer 2020 Planning for Return to School

StrongSchoolsNC Public Health Toolkit (K-12) NC DHHS

Lighting Our Way Forward NC DPI

| COVID-19 REOPENING PLANS & SCHEDULING | | |
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| COVID-19: Reopening Plans | School Facilities and Students | Health Precautions * |
| PLAN A Minimal Social Distancing <i>Will be implemented assuming state COVID-19 metrics continue to stabilize and/or move in a positive direction. All requirements in this guidance apply to Plan A.</i> | Open All students in school at same time | Enhanced health protocols See DHHS requirements and recommendations |
| PLAN B Moderate Social Distancing <i>Will be required if state COVID-19 metrics worsen and it is determined additional restrictions are necessary. All requirements in this guidance apply, with additional requirements noted for Plan B only.</i> | Open Limit student density in facilities to no greater than 50% occupancy | Enhanced health protocols See DHHS requirements and recommendations Under Plan B only , schools are required to adhere to all requirements outlined above AND : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure sufficient social distancing with at least 6 feet between people at all times in school facilities and on school transportation vehicles. • Limit density of people in school facilities and transportation vehicles to no greater than 50% maximum occupancy to ensure social distancing of at least 6 feet apart between people. |
| PLAN C Remote Learning <i>Would be implemented only if state COVID-19 metrics worsen significantly enough to require suspension of in-person instruction and the implementation of remote learning for all students, based on the remote learning plans required by Session Law 2020-3. The requirements listed in this guidance would not apply, as children and staff would not be gathering together in groups on school grounds.</i> | Closed No students in school facilities | N/A All at home |



Early Fall 2020

- Student and Staff Symptoms Screening
- PPE Supplies
- PPE Training
- Classroom Setup
- Isolation rooms
- Contact Tracing
- Isolation/Quarantine Confusion



November 2020: COVID-19 Testing Pilot Planning

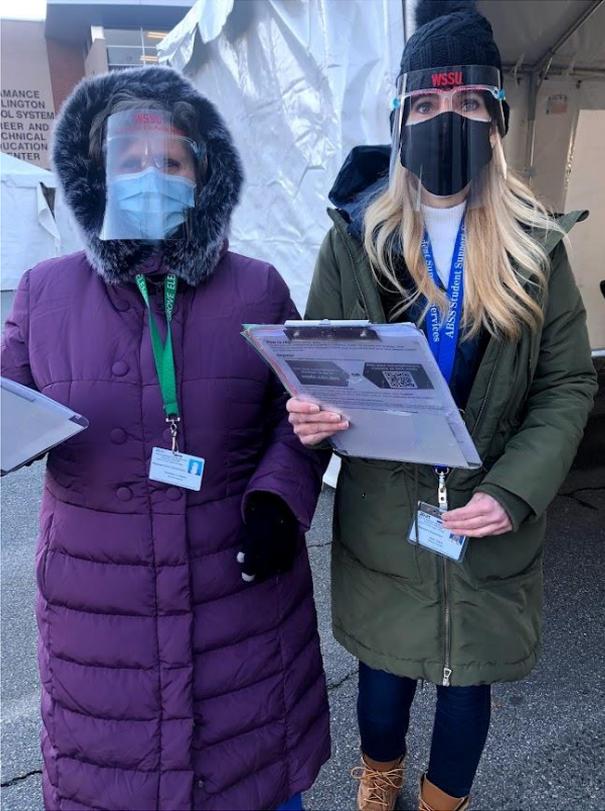


MODULE 1 **GETTING STARTED**

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COVID-19 Ag Card



December 2020-March 2020 Vaccine Clinic Support



March 2021-June 2021

This is an important update regarding the return to in-person learning that will begin the week of March 1 for elementary families that have chosen the in-person learning option. Middle and high school students who have selected in-person learning will return beginning the week of **March 8, 2021.**



2021-2022 School Year

Masks

Contact Tracing

Quarantine

Isolation

Close Contacts

Covid-19 Testing

