



## Overview of Governor’s MI Safe Schools: Return to School

### INTRODUCTION

On June 30, 2020, Governor Gretchen Whitmer released the [MI Safe Schools: Return to School Roadmap](#), a 63-page document with comprehensive guidance to help school districts create instructional plans and safety protocols for face-to-face learning this fall. The roadmap gives clear direction on how schools are to operate during the various phases of the [MI Safe Start Plan](#).

Phases 1-3:	Fully Remote Learning
Phases 4-6:	In-Person Instruction with key safety requirements

We know this will be an adjustment for students, staff and parents to meet these requirements, but we are committed to complying for everyone’s safety and wellbeing. Currently, we are developing a detailed plan that provides a safe learning environment. Once this Rockford-specific plan is finalized, we will share it with families and on our website.

## PHASE 4 (Current Phase 7/2/2020)

### Instruction

In-person instruction is permitted with required safety protocols

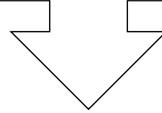
### Safety Protocols

- Increased cleaning and sanitation protocols
- Increased hygiene protocols in classroom and on buses
- No indoor assemblies that bring together students from more than one classroom
- Facial coverings must be worn:
  - ✓ by staff at all times
  - ✓ by all students, staff, and bus drivers on buses
  - ✓ by all DK-12 students in hallways and common areas
  - ✓ by all 6-12 grade students in classrooms
- Coordinate with local health department to implement screening and testing protocols

## PHASE 5 (Decreasing cases)

### Instruction

Schools open for in-person instruction with minimal safety protocols



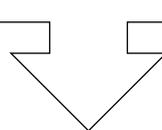
### Safety Protocols

Phase 4 protocols are strongly recommended but not required.  
We will outline our protocols in our plan.

## PHASE 6 (Post-Pandemic)

### Instruction

Schools open for in-person instruction

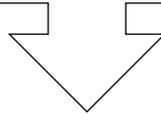


### Safety Protocols

We will outline protocols such as good hygiene and cleaning protocols in our plan.

# Athletics

The Michigan High School Athletic Association and the National Federation of State High School Associations are developing guidance for how sports can be played safely. At this time, the MHSAA plans to allow fall sports to take place in the fall.



## Safety Protocols

- ✓ students, teachers, and staff must practice proper hand hygiene before and after every practice, event, or gathering
- ✓ each participant is to confirm they are healthy and without any symptoms prior to any event
- ✓ participants are required to wear facial coverings on school-provided transportation
- ✓ participants may not share water bottles
- ✓ no unnecessary contact between participants, such as handshakes, fist bumps, etc.
- ✓ all equipment must be disinfected before and after use
- ✓ events:
  - large scale indoor spectator events are suspended
  - large scale outdoor spectator or stadium events limited to 100 people
  - spectators must wear facial coverings and maintain six feet of social distancing