



Healthy Youth and Schools Commission

September Quarterly Meeting

Sept. 15, 2021 | Jeff Travers, Chairperson of the Commission



Welcome

Agenda

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Recap Previous Commission Meeting

Jeff Travers, Chairman, Healthy Youth and Schools Commission

Recap Previous Commission Meeting

- May Quarterly Meeting
 - Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2021
 - Main topics covered:
 - Planning for the 2021-22 School Year
 - Equitable Food Access Program
 - Approval of minutes



School Reopening Landscape



In-Person Learning

Dr. Heidi Schumacher, Assistant Superintendent of Health and Wellness, OSSE

Education Landscape for the 2021-22 School Year

- Schools are open!
 - Students are learning in-person, five days per week.
- We know that by working together as an entire community, we can make this school year a success.
- With layered safety protocols, we can successfully reunite our students with their teachers, classmates, coaches, counselors, mentors, and friends.
- OSSE continues to partner closely with DC Health to implement the latest guidance to protect students, educators, and families.

Distance Learning Eligibility

- Distance learning is only available to students who submit a standardized medical certification form documenting a student's **physical or mental health condition that requires distance learning** due to COVID-19.
- The form must be completed by a licensed physician or nurse practitioner.
- Medical certification forms will be **valid for one academic semester** (or two terms for schools on a quarterly schedule).
- LEAs and schools should accept any complete and legible medical certification that explains how a student's physical or mental health condition requires the student's participation in distance learning due to COVID-19.



COVID-19 Health and Safety Updates

Caitlin Shauck, Policy Analyst, OSSE

Kyle Flood, Manager of Policy and Compliance, OSSE

Rebecca Harnik, Management Analyst, OSSE

DC Health Guidance for Schools- Key Prevention Measures

- **Masking**: universal masking indoors and on school transportation, regardless of vaccination status
 - Outdoors: CDC recommends that people who are not fully vaccinated wear a mask in crowded outdoor settings or during activities that involve sustained close contact with other people who are not fully vaccinated.
- **COVID-19 vaccination**:
 - Required for DCPS school staff by Sept. 19, 2021 or must participate in weekly testing
 - Strongly encouraged for school staff at all other schools and for eligible students
- **Physical distancing**:
 - 3 feet recommended between students in the classroom
 - 6 feet recommended between students outside of the classroom, when masks are removed (including when eating), between students and adults, and between adults
- **Screening testing**
 - Can be an effective tool at reducing transmission in schools when combined with prevention measures

Health and Safety Reopening Plans

- All LEAs and private, parochial and independent schools were required to submit a plan to OSSE that described how they will safely reopen schools in accordance with the DC Health and OSSE health and safety guidance.
- LEAs and schools received feedback on the health and safety plans submitted to OSSE.
- LEAs and schools had the opportunity to update and resubmit their plans to OSSE.
- Plans must be publicly available at least 10 days prior to school reopening. OSSE posted final submitted plans on the [OSSE website](#).
- Schools and LEAs should continue to make the latest version of their Health and Safety Plans available to the public.

COVID-19 Vaccination Access

- Vaccination is currently the leading public health prevention strategy to end the COVID-19 pandemic. Promoting COVID-19 vaccination can help schools safely return to in-person learning and activities.
- Fully-vaccinated individuals are exempt from many public health requirements and recommendations, including quarantine after close contact with an individual who is COVID positive.
- Routine pediatric immunizations remain a requirement for school attendance *and* a major priority to protect our communities.

Put Vaccines On Your Back-to-School List

Vaccines are the best protection against vaccine-preventable diseases.

All DC students must have their immunizations **up-to-date before the next school year begins**. The COVID-19 vaccine is also available for eligible age groups.

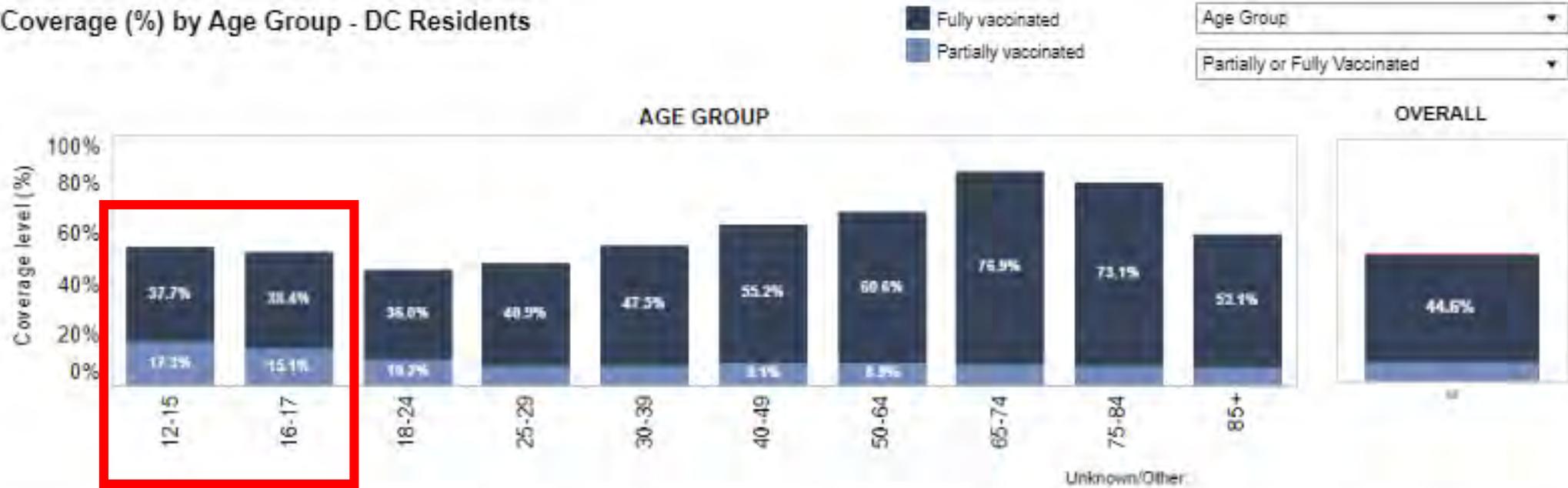
dchealth.dc.gov/immunizations



Families can use vaccinate.dc.gov to make an appointment to get their child's required immunizations at 37 sites across DC!

COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage

Coverage (%) by Age Group - DC Residents



		AGE GROUP										TOTAL
		12-15	16-17	18-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-64	65-74	75-84	85+	
AGE GROUP	Partially Vaccinated	3,785	1,547	7,427	6,350	11,663	7,581	9,391	4,158	1,967	848	54,717
	Fully Vaccinated	8,247	3,948	26,105	33,759	89,254	46,124	64,056	36,595	18,198	6,497	314,783
	Fully/Partially Vaccinated	12,124	5,507	33,770	40,100	80,586	53,496	73,235	42,641	20,062	7,284	368,805



As of Sept. 6, 2021

9/14/2021

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COVID-19 Vaccination Incentives

- District youth ages 12-17 and parents are eligible to receive on-site prizes at three DC Public School Sites:
 - Brookland Middle School, Sousa Middle School and Johnson Middle School
 - \$51 VISA gift card
 - AirPods, while supplies last
 - Parents or guardians who bring their child to one of these sites are also eligible for one \$51 gift card per child who gets vaccinated.
- Weekly drawings for iPads and \$25,000 college scholarships for students ages 12 to 17.



COVID-19 Positive Case Response

David Esquith, Director of Policy, Planning, and Strategic Initiatives, OSSE

Dismissal of Close Contacts

- If a school identifies a student or staff member with COVID-19 who is in the building, the **school should dismiss that person as well as any individuals who the school identifies as potential close contacts.**
 - It is not necessary to dismiss the entire cohort.
- Preliminary contact identification should be carried out **by school staff** to identify and dismiss potential close contacts until DC Health is able to complete the case investigation.

Close Contact Definition and Exception

- Close Contact: Someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes over a 24-hour period, starting from two days before illness onset (or for asymptomatic infected people, two days prior to positive test collection) until the time the infected person is isolated.
- Exception to close contact definition:
 - This exception **applies to all pre-K, K-12, and adult education students.**
 - In the school indoor classroom setting, the close contact definition **excludes students who were within 3-6 feet of an infected fellow student** where:
 - Both students were engaged in consistent and correct use of well-fitting face masks
AND
 - Other layered prevention strategies were in place (such as universal mask wearing regardless of vaccination status, physical distancing, and increased ventilation)

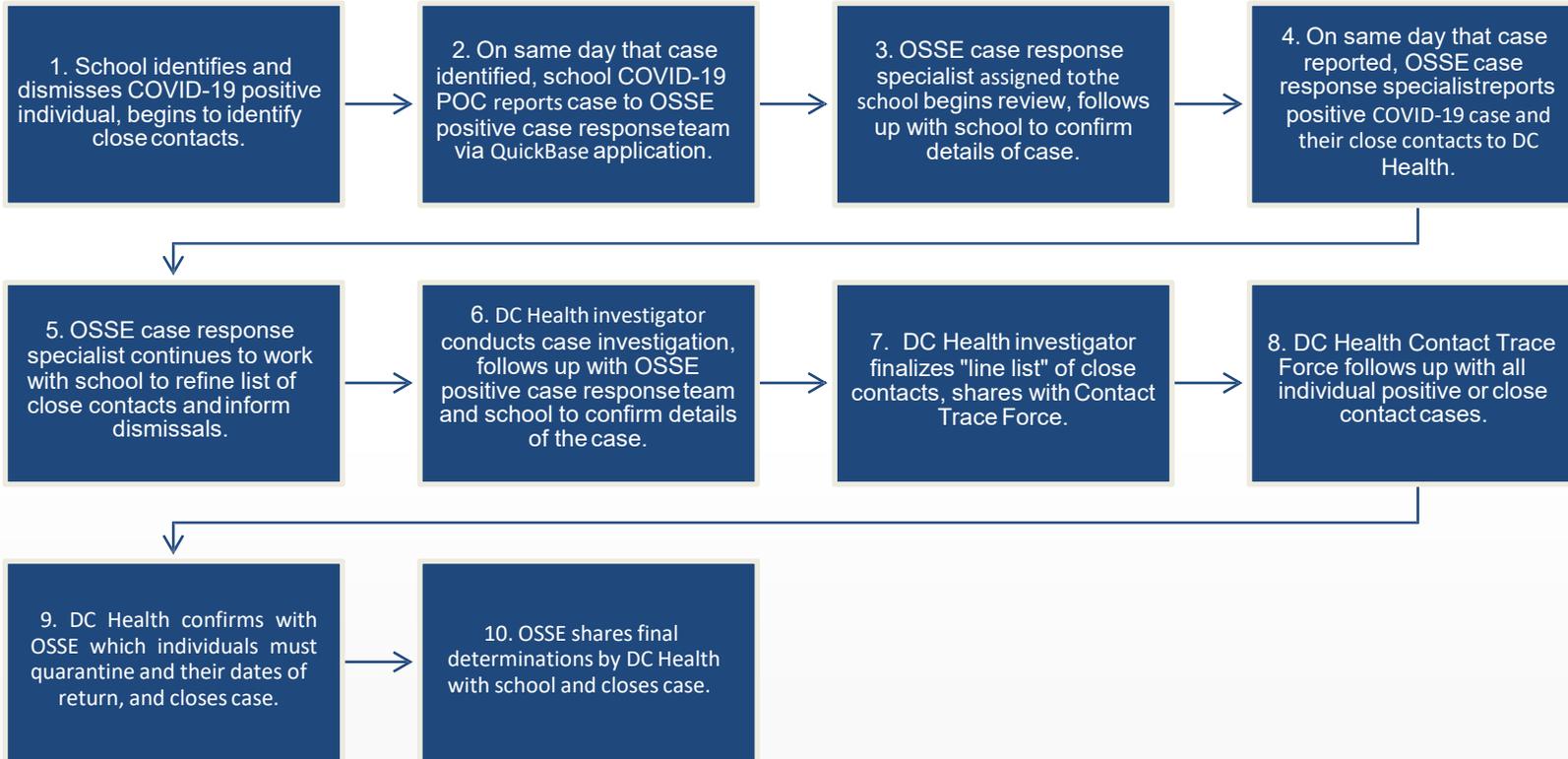
COVID-19 Positive Case Response Overview

- DCPS schools will continue with their current process for Contact Identification
- Public Charter Schools are supported with an OSSE-based COVID-19 Positive Case Response Team and process
 - This process has evolved in response to feedback requesting greater direct support to all Charter LEAs
- The COVID-19 Positive Case Response Team coordinates closely with DC Health

COVID-19 Positive Case Response Overview, Continued

- OSSE is currently providing contact tracing support to 32 LEAs (64 campuses)
- **One contact tracing lead, Kidus Feleke, and 10 contact tracers**
 - Goal: to provide support to LEAs that expedites the close contact identification process so that DC Health can complete the contact tracing and get students back to school quickly and healthily
 - Contact tracers act as a liaison between your school and DC Health
- **Utilize Quickbase** to communicate positive cases to the OSSE contact tracing team
 - An OSSE contact tracer will contact you as soon as possible to review the case details and close contacts that should be dismissed
- This support is currently for LEAs that originally chose option 1, it will soon be expanded to support all Charter LEAs
- Schools that originally chose option 2 will continue to report cases to DC Health until notified

COVID-19 Positive Case Response: **NEW**



Lessons Learned & Solutions

ISSUE	SOLUTION
Clearer expectations on role of OSSE team vs. DC Health epi team vs. DC Health contact tracers	Updating protocols, scripts, training. Will cover in TA and Community of Practice sessions with schools.
More detailed guidance needed re: return-to-school criteria for those dismissed.	Continued training for OSSE contracted team, shadowing of case responses by OSSE content experts.
	Development of additional templates and tools to share with schools.
Technical challenges related to Quickbase application	System updates complete to allow members of LEAs/school to see all submitted cases.





COVID-19 Testing

Dorothy Lowry, OSSE

School Year 2021-22

- **Approach to testing:**
 - Testing is married to aggressive push on vaccination!
 - Approach will be adjusted as needed based on vaccination and COVID-19 prevalence rates.
 - All public and public charter schools will be eligible for supports from OSSE.
- **Two options for LEAs wishing to offer COVID-19 testing:**
 - 1. Centralized COVID school-based testing administered by OSSE**
 - 2. Subgrant for LEAs operating own new, expanded or modified testing program**

Option 1: Centralized Asymptomatic and Symptomatic Testing Program

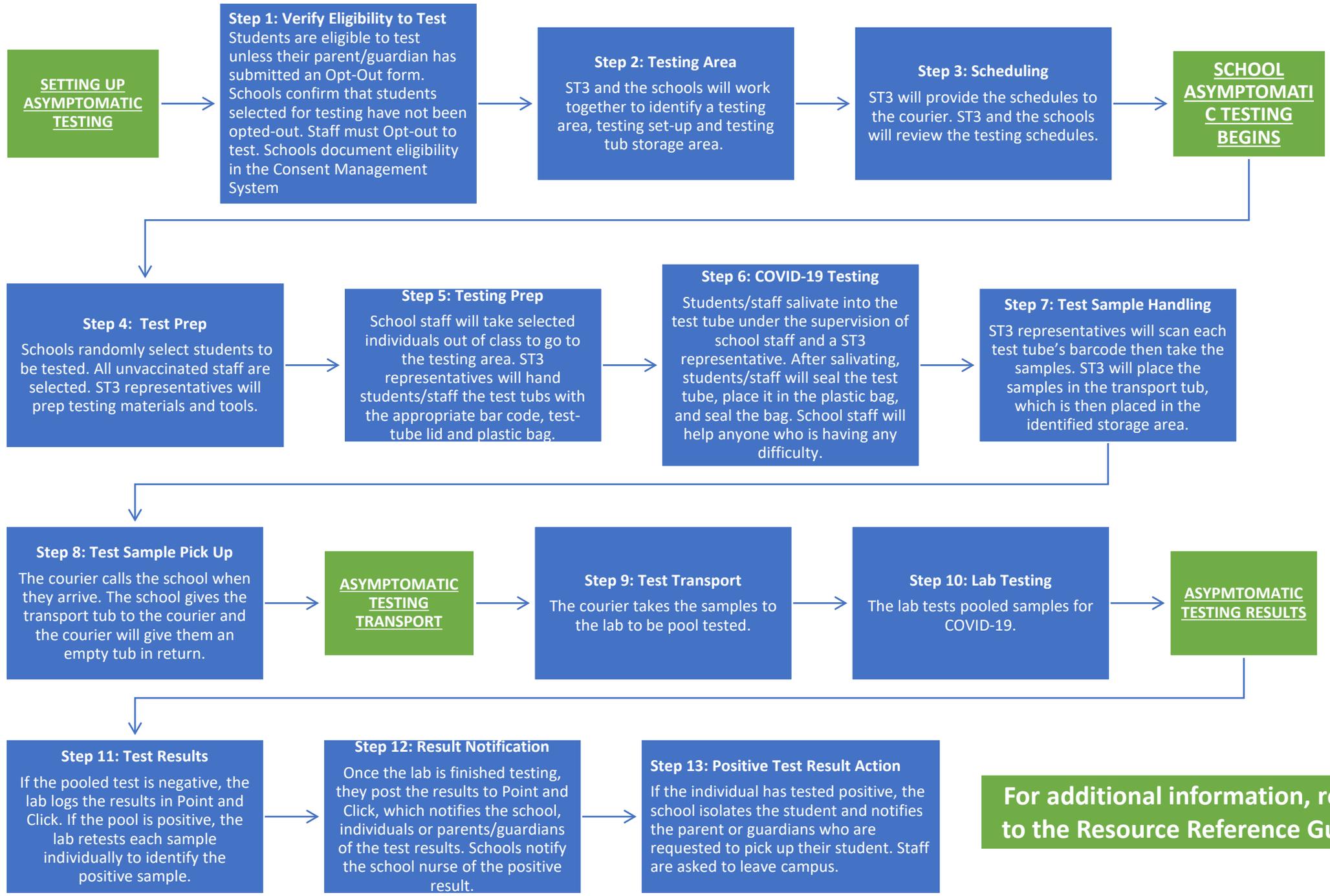
- OSSE has partnered with saliva-based testing vendor Shield T3 to provide comprehensive on-site testing programs in schools.
- **Asymptomatic testing**
 - **10-20 percent weekly sample** of students and staff for Terms 1 and 2
 - 20 percent is for weeks following a holiday break
 - DC Health does not recommend that vaccinated individuals participate in asymptomatic testing.
- **Symptomatic testing**
 - For students and school-based staff who develop symptom(s) of COVID-19 during the school day
 - The same saliva-based sample, through the ShieldT3 program (not through school nurses)

Option 1: Centralized Asymptomatic and Symptomatic Testing Program (cont.)

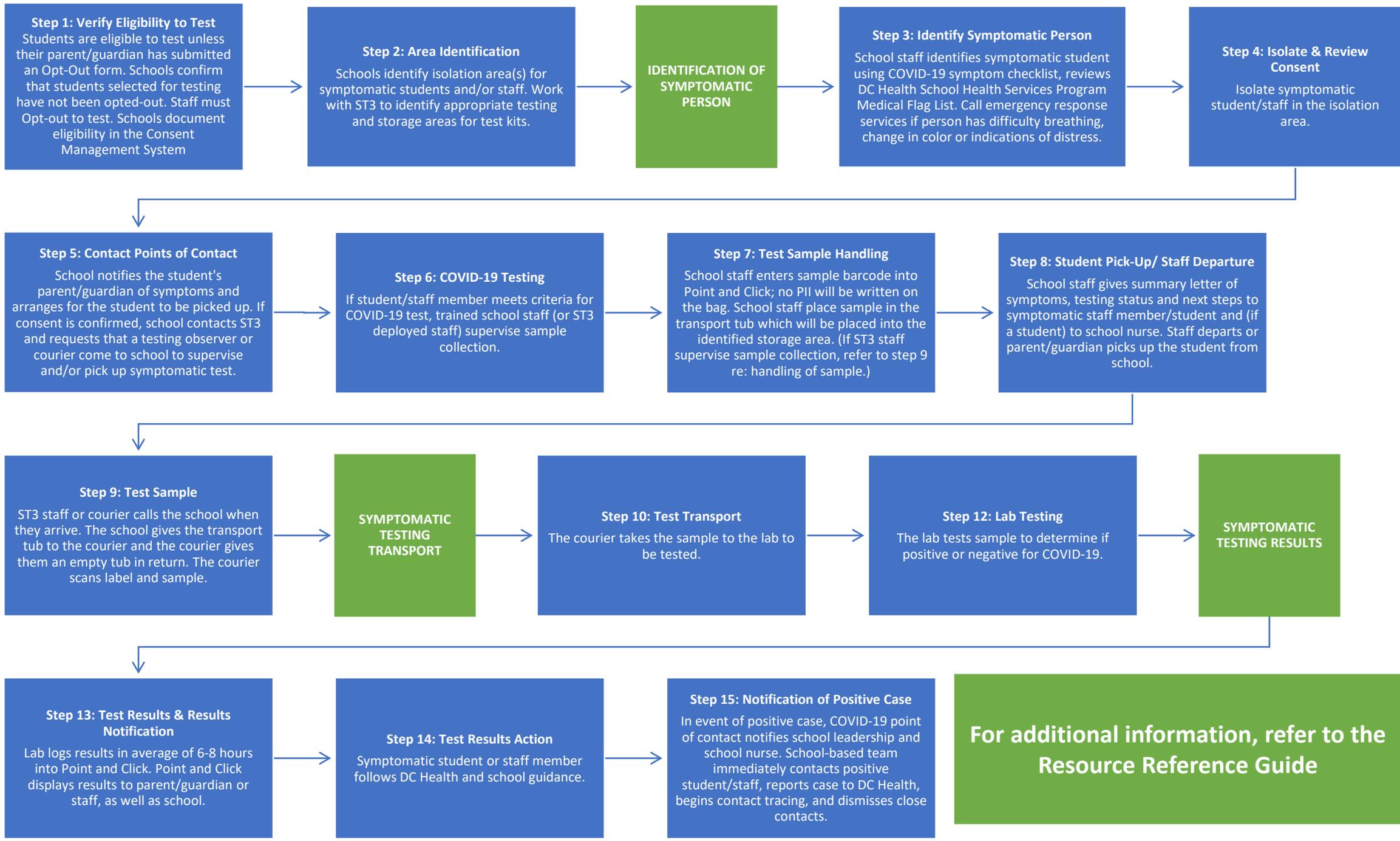
- Goal is **one simplified operational model with streamlined communication** from and coordination with vendor, OSSE
 - *Staffing model:*
 - Sample collection overseen by trained staff subcontracted by ShieldT3
 - Charters may also have their own staff trained to oversee
 - *Courier services*
- **Test Yourself DC** and other District testing options available for Close Contact Testing

Option 2: Sub-Grant Funds to LEAs

- LEAs that wish to operate a **new, expanded or modified COVID-19 testing program** are eligible to receive sub-grant funds from OSSE to support that work.
- Preliminary allocations of the formula grant were distributed to LEAs and are available on OSSE's website
- **Grant timeline Targets:**
 - EGMS release date: on or about Sept. 15
 - Award date: on or about Oct. 1
 - Note, eligible expenses can be backdated to the start of school.



For additional information, refer to the Resource Reference Guide

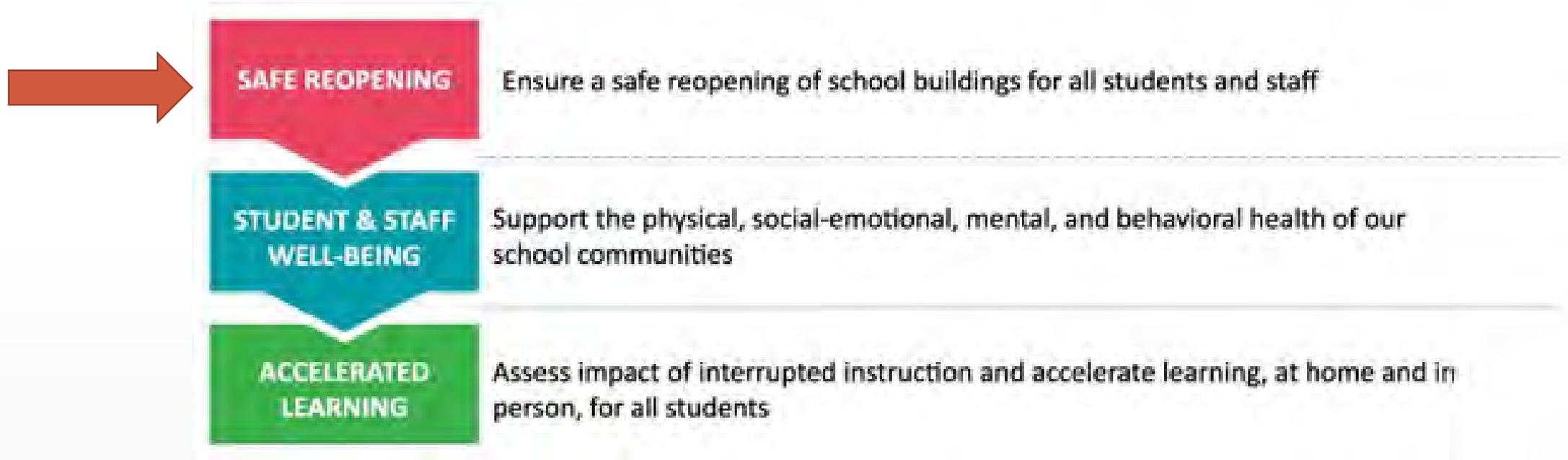




Outdoor Learning Update

Grace Manubay, Environmental Literacy Coordinator, OSSE

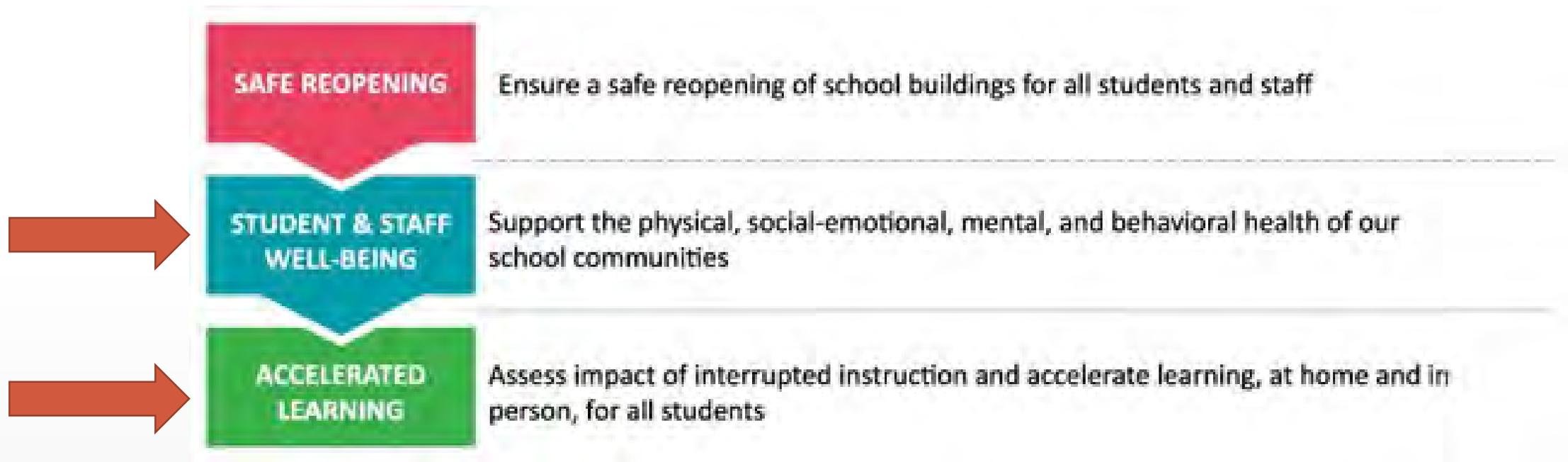
Recovery Priorities



Outdoor Learning Resources

- Resource Hub: osse.dc.gov/page/outdoor-learning-resources
 - FAQ, tip sheet, materials checklist, photo collection, procurement tool
- Technical assistance for 80 schools to
 - Site assessment and one-on-one meetings with landscape architect
 - Site plan and guidance document
- Professional development series for various school stakeholders
 - Outdoor Learning 101
 - Creating Buy for Using Outdoor Learning Spaces
 - Planning and Creating Outdoor Learning Spaces
 - Group Management Outdoors
 - Teaching and Learning Strategies

Next steps





Federal COVID-19 Relief Spending Update

Jessie Harteis, Deputy Assistant Superintendent, K-12
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Overview of ESSER Recovery Funding

- The United States Department of Education (USED) has issued three rounds of Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds.
- These funds may be used to support local education agency (LEA) efforts now, and to continue the work of recovery over the next few school years.

	Overall Award	LEA Subgrants (90%)	SEA Reservation (10%) Includes 0.5% for SEA administration
ESSER III-ARP	\$386,476,999	\$347,829,299 \$69,565,860 to address learning loss	\$38,647,700
ESSER II-CRRSA	\$172,013,174	\$154,811,857	\$17,201,317
ESSER I-CARES	\$42,006,354	\$37,805,719	\$4,200,635



ESSER Funds: SEA Reservation

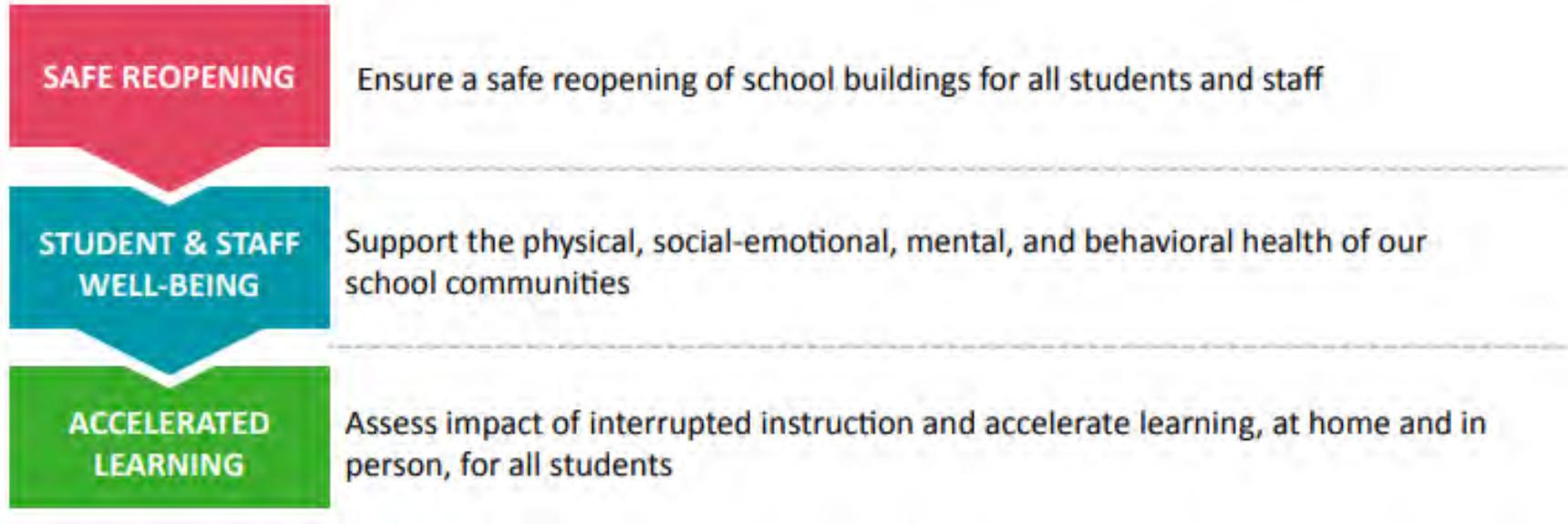
- Each round of ESSER recovery funding includes 10 percent state education agency (SEA) Reservation to support emergency needs, response and recovery
- Most recent round (ESSER III-ARP) includes specific reservations for activities and interventions that respond to students' academic, social, and emotional needs and address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on underrepresented student subgroups

	Overall Award	SEA Reservation (10%) Includes 0.5% for SEA administration
ESSER III-ARP	\$386,476,999	\$38,647,700 – \$19,323,850 to address learning loss – \$3,864,770 for summer enrichment – \$3,864,770 for afterschool programs
ESSER II-CRRSA	\$172,013,174	\$17,201,317
ESSER I-CARES	\$42,006,354	\$4,200,635

ESSER Learning Loss Requirements

- LEAs must reserve at least 20 percent of their ESSER III-ARP funds to address learning loss through the implementation of evidence-based interventions and ensure that those interventions respond to students' social, emotional, and academic needs and address the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on underrepresented student subgroups
 - Initial plans outlined in [2021-2022 Continuous Education Plans](#)
 - LEAs submitting ESSER III-ARP applications by **Sept. 30, 2021**
- States must use half of their ESSER III-ARP reserve funds for the implementation of evidence-based interventions aimed specifically at addressing learning loss
 - Initial plans outlined in [DC ARP State Plan](#)

Recovery Priorities



Accelerated Learning through Evidence-based Interventions

- 1) High-impact tutoring (HIT):** OSSE is investing in infrastructure supports such as citywide standards and foundational training for tutors to help ensure high-quality implementation of HIT as well as grants to schools and/or community-based organizations (CBOs) to help scale HIT models that meet OSSE's standards, particularly in high needs areas where there is currently very limited supply (e.g., middle school math) and for populations who have experienced significant disruption due to COVID-19 (e.g., at-risk students).

Accelerated Learning through Evidence-based Interventions

- 2) **Scaling the use of high-quality literacy and math curricula:** OSSE is conducting a citywide audit of current literacy curricula and providing professional development and training on the science of reading while making available high-quality literacy curricula for schools and LEAs to adopt. OSSE will take comparable steps for math.
- 3) **Professional learning in implementing high-quality curriculum and literacy instruction:** OSSE is funding professional development related to implementation of high-quality curriculum described in the paragraph above. In addition, OSSE will be providing educators with self-paced professional learning in the science of reading and adolescent literacy.

Accelerated Learning through Evidence-based Interventions

- 4) **Encouraging the development and adoption of high-quality coursework in non-math and ELA subjects:** OSSE will expand access to science instruction and strengthen the STEM course offerings in the district. OSSE is also exploring how to make grants available that are specifically aimed at developing and implementing coursework beyond Math and ELA that meets high standards, engages our full school communities, and supports whole child development and engagement.
- 5) **Making targeted investments to support accelerated learning for students with disabilities (SWD) and English learners (EL):** OSSE will provide leaders and educators with access to high-quality professional learning and supports that boost the academic achievement of SWDs and ELs as well as assist LEA and school leaders in building effective programs that can sustain and expand these gains over time.

Accelerated Learning through Evidence-based Interventions

- 6) Investing in a parent resource center to support students with disabilities:** With students with disabilities experiencing greater levels of unfinished learning while in a remote posture, the need to empower parents with the information, resources, and navigational support is only greater now than it was prior to COVID. OSSE will invest in a parent resource center that will help families build the knowledge and skills to partner effectively with their child's school and advocate on their child's behalf.
- 7) Supporting adoption and effective use of high-quality assessments:** OSSE is offering training to improve the quality and effective use of formative and interim assessments by schools to better understand and track student progress. OSSE will also develop an assessment audit tool and rubric that LEAs can use to analyze and improve upon their current testing plans while also making available high-quality interim assessments for optional use by LEAs across for ELA, Math, and English Language Proficiency.



Questions?

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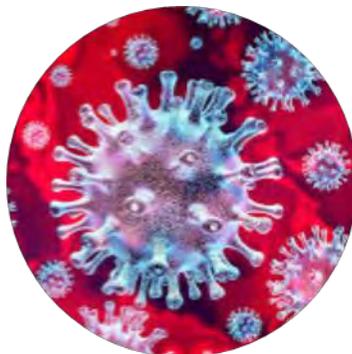
For more information, please visit osse.dc.gov/recoveryfunding.





Data Update from DC Health

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Dr. Anil Mangla, DC Health



September: Healthy Youth and Schools Commission Meeting

Emerging COVID-19 Trends in DC

Anil T. Mangla | September 15, 2021

Supervisory Epidemiologist

OBJECTIVES

Understand the Current COVID -19 Trends in DC

DC Reopening Metrics Summary

CURRENT STATUS
Green

Phase 3

Minimal community spread, sufficient health and public health capacity, and excellent community engagement.

Current Values (data through 9/10/21)

Level of Community Spread

Daily case rate

22.8
(Sep 10)

7-day avg per 100,000 pop.

Rate of transmission

0.82
(Aug 31)

Effective reproductive number (R_{eff})

Test positivity rate

5.0%
(Sep 7)

Percent positive from RT-PCR tests

New cases from quarantined contacts

12.2%
(Sep 7)

7-day average

Health System Capacity

Percent hospital utilization

89.8%
(Sep 10)

of available beds without surge

Percent COVID-19 patients

5.0%
(Sep 10)

of daily hospital discharges, 7-day average

Mean test turnaround time

2.1
(Sep 10)

(days) 7-day average

Diagnostic tests conducted

5,906
(Sep 7)

7-day avg per million pop.

Public Health System Capacity

Positive cases with contact attempt

100%
(Sep 9)

7-day avg, attempt within 1 day

Close contacts with contact attempt

99.7%
(Sep 8)

7-day avg, attempt within 2 days

Community Engagement

Positive cases interviewed

61.8%
(Sep 7)

7-day avg, completed within 3 days

Positive cases who provide close contacts

39.0
(Sep 7)

7-day avg

Mean number close contacts provided

1.2
(Sep 7)

7-day avg, within past positive case

Exposure Notification Opt-in

1,186,940
(Sep 6)

number of smart phones opted in to contact exposure notification system

Correct mask-wearing

22.7%
(Jun 9)

percent observed

Percent full COVID-19 vaccine coverage

57.7%
(Sep 6)

cumulative Updated weekly

Criteria

Metrics to be met for 14 consecutive days at each level before gradually entering the corresponding phase. Potential setbacks are evaluated in conjunction with other data to inform decisions to re-evaluate restrictions.

Daily case rate (7-day avg per 100,000 population)

Rate of transmission (Effective reproductive number (R_{eff}))

Test positivity rate (Percent positive from RT-PCR tests)

New cases from quarantined contacts (7-day average)

Percent hospital utilization (of available beds, without surge)

Percent COVID-19 patients (of daily hospital discharges, 7-day average)

Mean test turnaround time (2-day average)

Positive cases with contact attempt (within 1 day, 7-day avg)

Close contacts with contact attempt (within 2 days, 7-day avg)

Positive cases interviewed (within 3 days, 7-day average)

	Phase 3	Phase 2	Phase 0/1
Minimal community spread, sufficient health and public health capacity, and excellent community engagement.		Moderate community spread, moderate health and public health capacity, and low community engagement.	Substantial community spread, insufficient health and public health capacity, and low community engagement.
Daily case rate	<5	5 - 15	>15
Rate of transmission	N/A*	0.8 - 1.2	>1.2
Test positivity rate	<3%	3% - 10%	>10%
New cases from quarantined contacts	<50%	5% - 60%	>5%
Percent hospital utilization	<80%	80% - 90%	>90%
Percent COVID-19 patients	<5%	5% - 10%	>10%
Mean test turnaround time	<2 days	2 - 3 days	>3 days
Positive cases with contact attempt	>90%	80% - 90%	<80%
Close contacts with contact attempt	>90%	80% - 90%	<80%
Positive cases interviewed	>80%	70% - 80%	<70%

* Transmission rate becomes unreliable when daily case numbers are small

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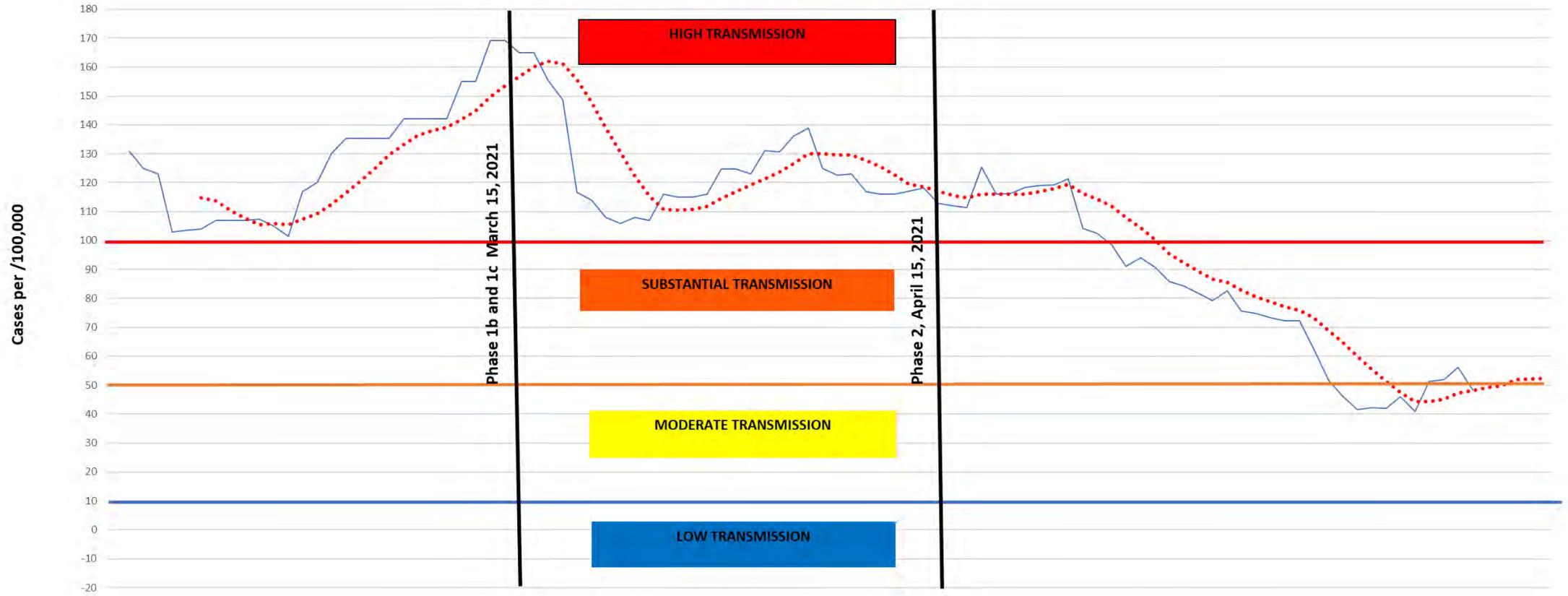
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CDC Indicators and Thresholds for Community Transmission of COVID-19

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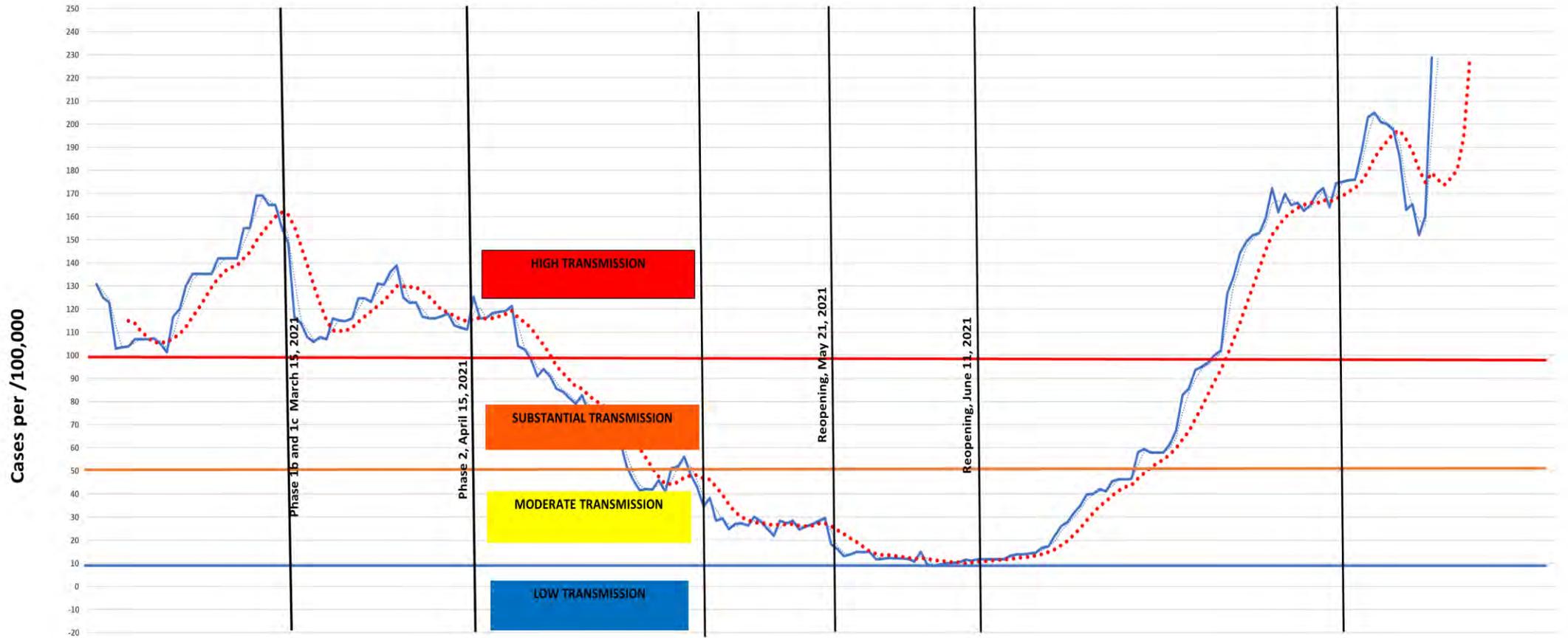
Indicator	Low Transmission Blue	Moderate Transmission Yellow	Substantial Transmission Orange	High Transmission Red
Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days ²	0-9	10-49	50-99	≥100
Percentage of NAATs that are positive during the past 7 days ³	<5.0%	5.0%-7.9%	8.0%-9.9%	≥10.0%

Weekly Case Rate Case / 100,000
DC Transmission Data February 15th, 2021 to May 18, 2021



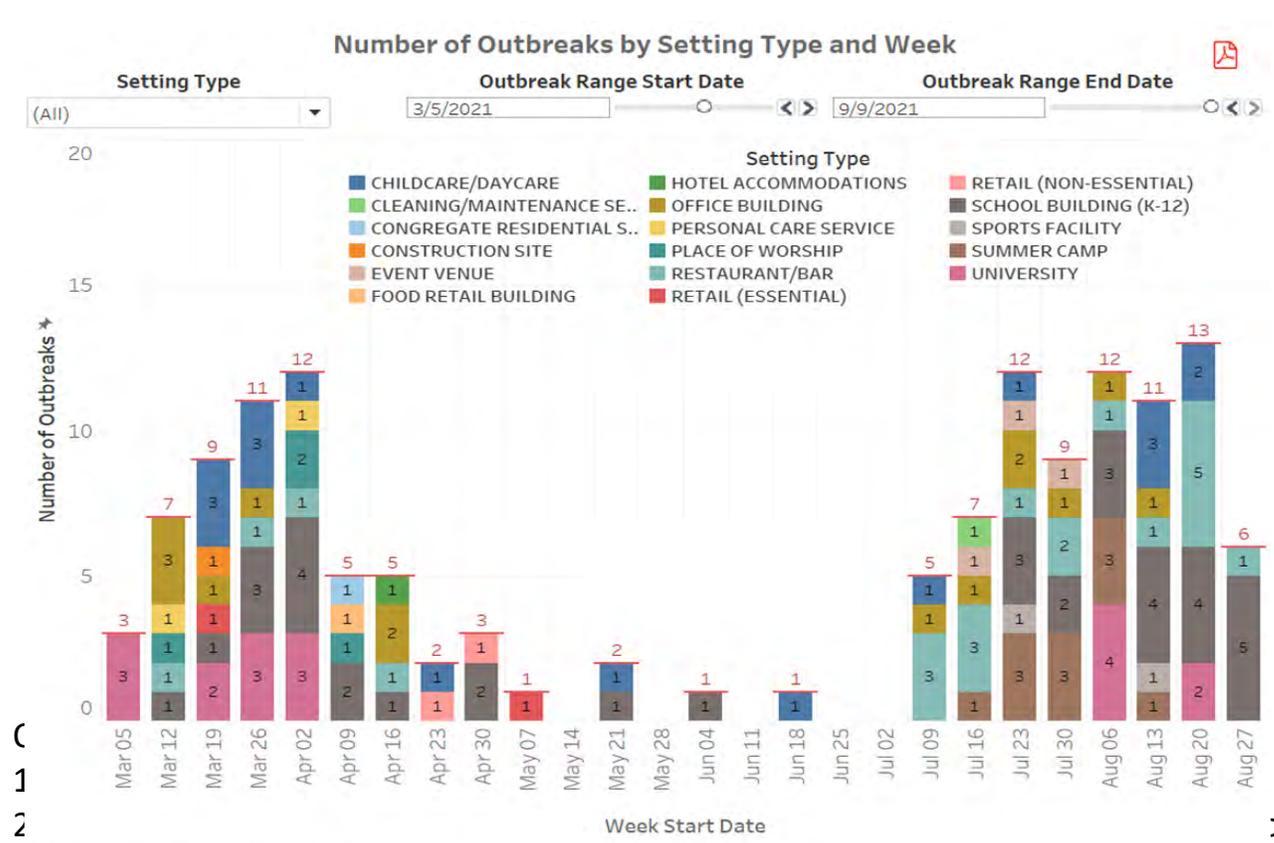
Days Since K-12 CDC Indicator and Thresholds for Community Transmission Rate of COVID -19

Weekly Case Rate Case / 100,000
DC Transmission Data February 15th, 2021 to September 15, 2021
 Days Since K-12 CDC Indicator and Thresholds for Community Transmission Rate of COVID-19



OUTBREAK DATA

- 12 new outbreaks reported since last week: 9 School Buildings (K-12), 2 Restaurant/Bars, and 1 University
- Since 3/5/2021 (within the last 6 months), there were 137 outbreaks reported; the settings with the highest frequency of outbreaks are School Buildings (K-12) (37), Restaurant/Bars (21), Childcare/Daycares (17), and Universities (17). These account for 67% of all outbreaks reported in this time span.
- Since 7/30/2021, there were 51 outbreaks reported; the settings with the highest frequency of outbreaks are School Buildings (K-12) (18), Restaurant/Bars (10), and Summer Camps (7). These account for 69% of all outbreaks reported in this time span.



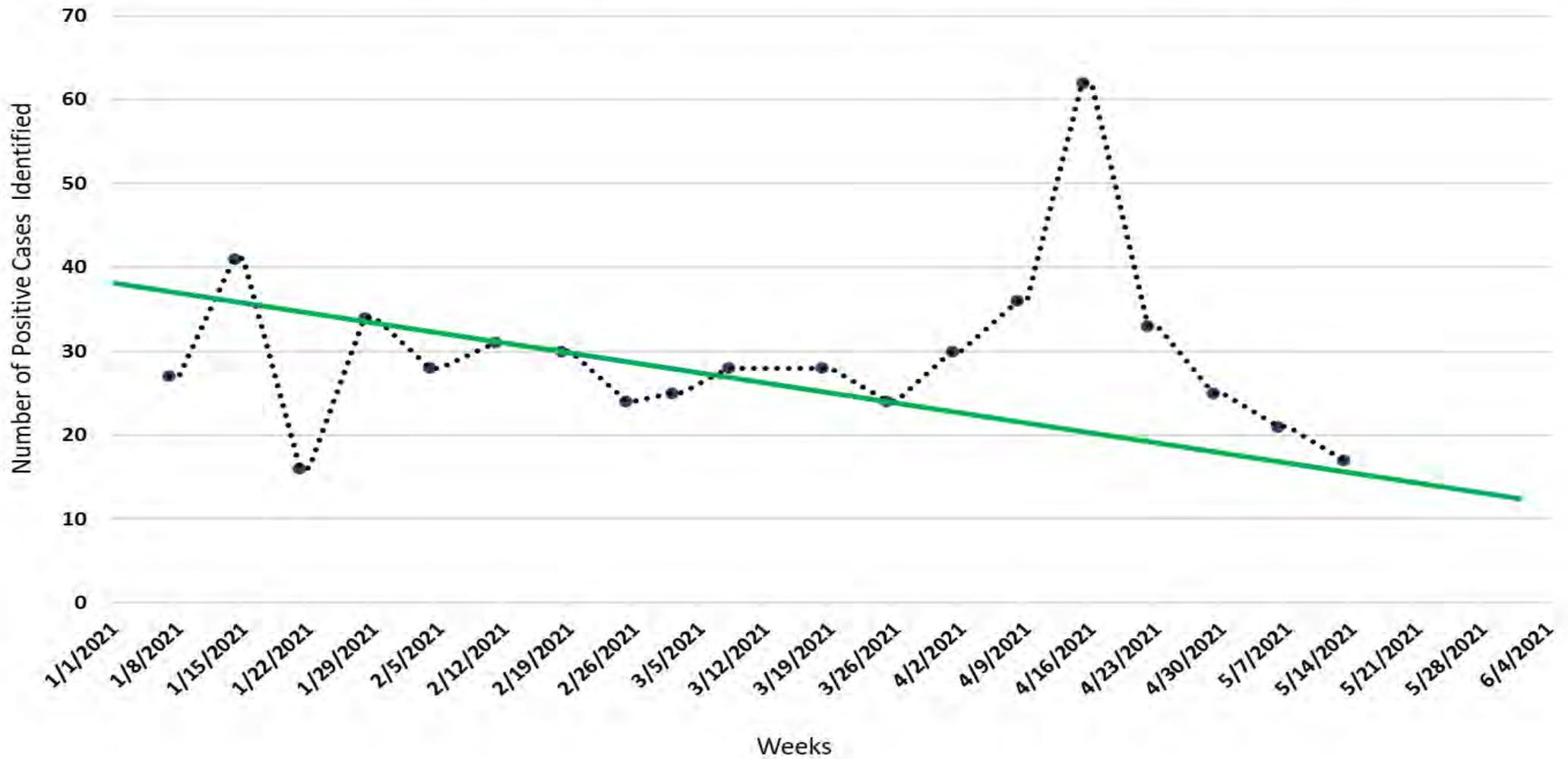
Outbreaks from Selected Settings in the District of Columbia between March 5, 2021 - Sep 8, 2021

Setting Type	Number of Outbreaks
CHILD CARE/DAYCARE	17
CLEANING/MAINTENANCE SERVICE	1
CONGREGATE RESIDENTIAL SETTING	1
CONSTRUCTION SITE	1
EVENT VENUE	3
FOOD RETAIL BUILDING	1
HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS	1
OFFICE BUILDING	14
PERSONAL CARE SERVICE	2
PLACE OF WORSHIP	4
RESTAURANT/BAR	21
RETAIL (ESSENTIAL)	2
RETAIL (NON-ESSENTIAL)	2
SCHOOL BUILDING (K-12)	37
SPORTS FACILITY	2
SUMMER CAMP	11
UNIVERSITY	17

Data Source: DC Health (as of September 8, 2021)
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School Based Cases Reported to DCH From January 1, 2021 to May 10, 2021



SCHOOL BASED CASES REPORTED TO DCH FROM JANUARY 1, 2021 TO SEPTEMBER 13, 2021



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA VACCINATION DATA

<https://coronavirus.dc.gov/data/vaccination>



Total Population

TOTAL DOSES
ADMINISTERED WITHIN DC

937,445

ESTIMATED % RESIDENTS PARTIALLY
OR FULLY VACCINATED**

67.4%

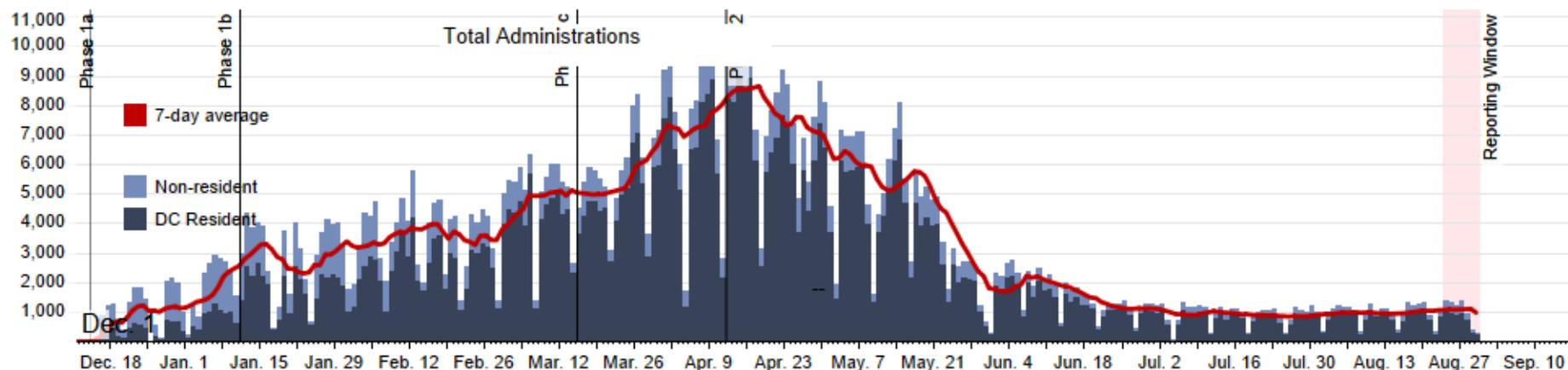
ESTIMATED % RESIDENTS
FULLY VACCINATED**

57.0%

ESTIMATED % OF BREAKTHROUGH
CASES***

0.61%

Individuals Partially or Fully Vaccinated within DC by Administration Date



	At Least One Dose	Fully Vaccinated	Total Administrations	Dose 7-day Average
DC Resident (within DC)	364,711	311,071	651,373	712
DC Resident (outside DC)	81,997	62,213	135,616	
DC Resident (Federal Entity)	29,094	28,922	55,682	
Total DC Resident	475,802	402,206	842,671	
Non DC Resident (within DC)	111,781	86,429	193,157	272
Non DC Resident (Federal Entity)	15,806	15,736	37,233	
Total Non DC Resident	127,587	102,165	230,390	

Metric Definition: Number of administrations reported by DC-area providers by date of vaccine administration for DC Residents and Non DC Residents. The 7-day rolling average represents the average number of administrations including the past 6 days. Listed in Summary include the Total Doses administered within DC include residents and non DC residents.

Data Considerations: There may be a lag time between vaccine administration and provider report. This may impact the reporting of vaccine administered, especially in the three most recent days of report, highlighted in red above. Non DC residents may be vaccinated within DC, especially those who fall into prioritized non-resident categories. Administration may be impacted by holidays and weekends, and is impacted by the size of prioritized groups and vaccine supply. Individuals who receive single dose regimens such as J&J are considered fully vaccinated. The Chart consists of data from DC Health and table data consists combination of DC Health and Tiberius Data. Tiberius data are provided in cumulative numbers and have granular representation and only listed in the table and included in Summary bar values. Total doses administered within DC and **estimated rates of fully/partially vaccinated DC residents are calculated using both administered doses inside and outside of DC, which includes doses administered by some federal entities and other jurisdictions outside DC. Estimated coverage rates were calculated based on 2019 ACS population census estimates. ***Estimated % Breakthrough cases is calculated using the number of DC residents who were identified as being a breakthrough case (SARS-CoV-2 RNA or antigen detected on respiratory specimen collected >=14 days after completing primary series of FDA authorized COVID-19 vaccine (J&J, Moderna or Pfizer) out of the total number of DC residents who were vaccinated (and were reported to DCIIS2.0).

Total Population

TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED WITHIN DC

937,445

ESTIMATED % RESIDENTS PARTIALLY OR FULLY VACCINATED**

67.4%

ESTIMATED % RESIDENTS FULLY VACCINATED**

57.0%

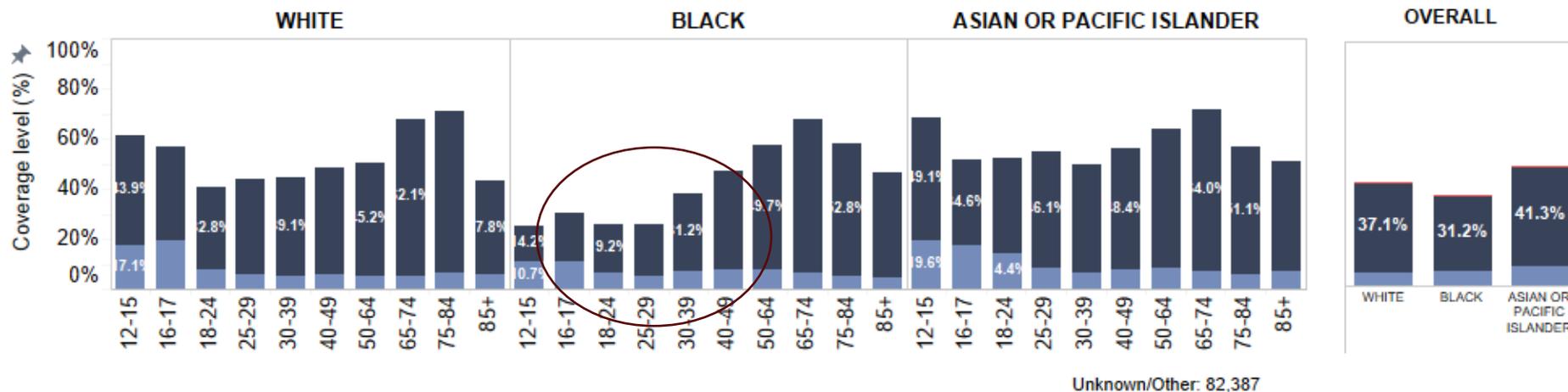
ESTIMATED % OF BREAKTHROUGH CASES***

0.61%

Coverage (%) by Race - DC Residents

Fully vaccinated
Partially vaccinated

Race
Partially or Fully Vaccinated



		12-15	16-17	18-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50-64	65-74	75-84	85+	TOTAL
WHITE	Partially Vaccinated	1,144	582	2,726	2,700	4,607	2,415	2,136	1,053	646	249	18,258
	Fully Vaccinated	2,935	1,127	11,667	17,647	33,499	17,429	18,319	12,187	6,246	1,710	122,766
	Fully/Partially Vaccinated	4,103	1,705	14,564	20,333	37,886	19,704	20,349	13,216	6,853	1,946	140,659
BLACK	Partially Vaccinated	1,539	743	2,056	1,687	3,507	2,789	4,758	1,884	752	317	20,032
	Fully Vaccinated	2,045	1,333	6,113	6,238	15,360	14,621	30,251	17,761	7,586	3,117	104,425
	Fully/Partially Vaccinated	3,613	2,098	8,174	7,946	18,841	17,404	34,966	19,574	8,298	3,400	124,314
ASIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER	Partially Vaccinated	119	60	663	439	669	379	306	107	37	21	2,800
	Fully Vaccinated	298	121	1,754	2,381	4,272	2,450	1,946	923	334	128	14,607
	Fully/Partially Vaccinated	422	178	2,445	2,804	4,912	2,803	2,241	1,029	368	149	17,351

Source: DC Health; Data are subject to change.

Metric Definition: The number of DC residents who have been fully vaccinated across age groups, gender, race, and ethnicity. This information is carefully tracked to determine targetting and equity of vaccine rollout and administration. ***Estimated % Breakthrough cases is calculated using the number of DC residents who were identified as being a breakthrough case (SARS-CoV-2 RNA or antigen detected on respiratory specimen collected >=14 days after completing primary series of FDA authorized COVID-19 vaccine (J&J, Moderna or Pfizer) out of the total number of DC residents who were vaccinated (and were reported to DCIIS2.0).

Data Considerations: Coverage is defined as the number as a proportion of the number of residents in DC, as reported by the total population reported in the ACS 2019 census and CDC Bridged population estimates, including residents who may be ineligible to receive the vaccine. Demographic data are self-reported, and obtained from electronic health records. Demographic data from electronic health records can be incomplete, especially for race and ethnicity. These information may be updated from supplementary data. The chart above does not include non-residents which may have been vaccinated in DC, or residents who have not completed the vaccine regimen, or completed the regimen outside of DC. Individuals who receive single dose regimens such as J&J are considered fully vaccinated. Numbers..

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Case Rates

Case Chronology

Demographic Profile

Time since fully vaccinated

Symptomatic

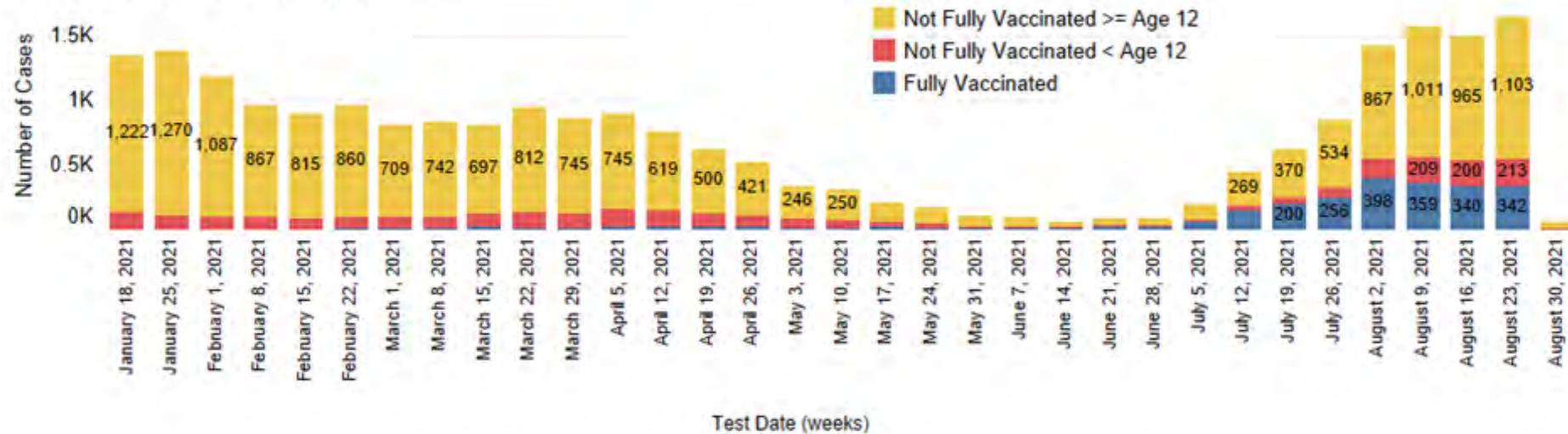
Hospitalized / Deceased

Cases

Hospitalizations

Deaths

Number of COVID-19 Cases (2021)



	Cases since Jan 18th 2021	Percent of cases since Jan 18th 2021	Cases in Last 7 days	Percent of cases in last 7 days
Fully Vaccinated	2,449	10.4%	275	19.2%
Not Fully Vaccinated < Age 12	2,800	11.8%	185	12.9%
Not Fully Vaccinated >= Age 12	18,461	77.9%	972	67.9%
Total	23,710	100.0%	1,432	100.0%

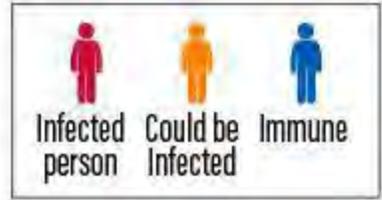
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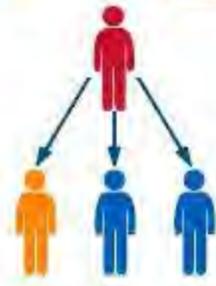
Alpha vs Delta

HOW DELTA VARIANT AFFECTS HERD IMMUNITY

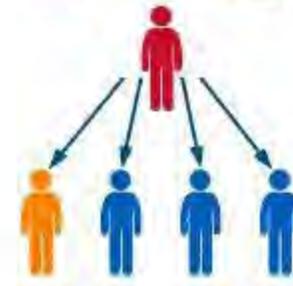
The Delta variant is more highly infectious than the original strain of Covid-19 or the Alpha variant. This means that the goal of herd immunity is more difficult, as more people must be vaccinated to ensure the virus cannot spread further



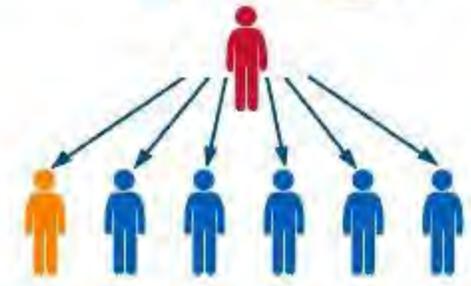
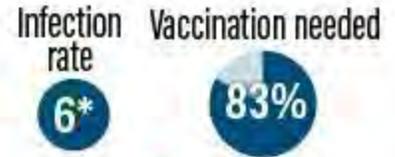
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Alpha variant



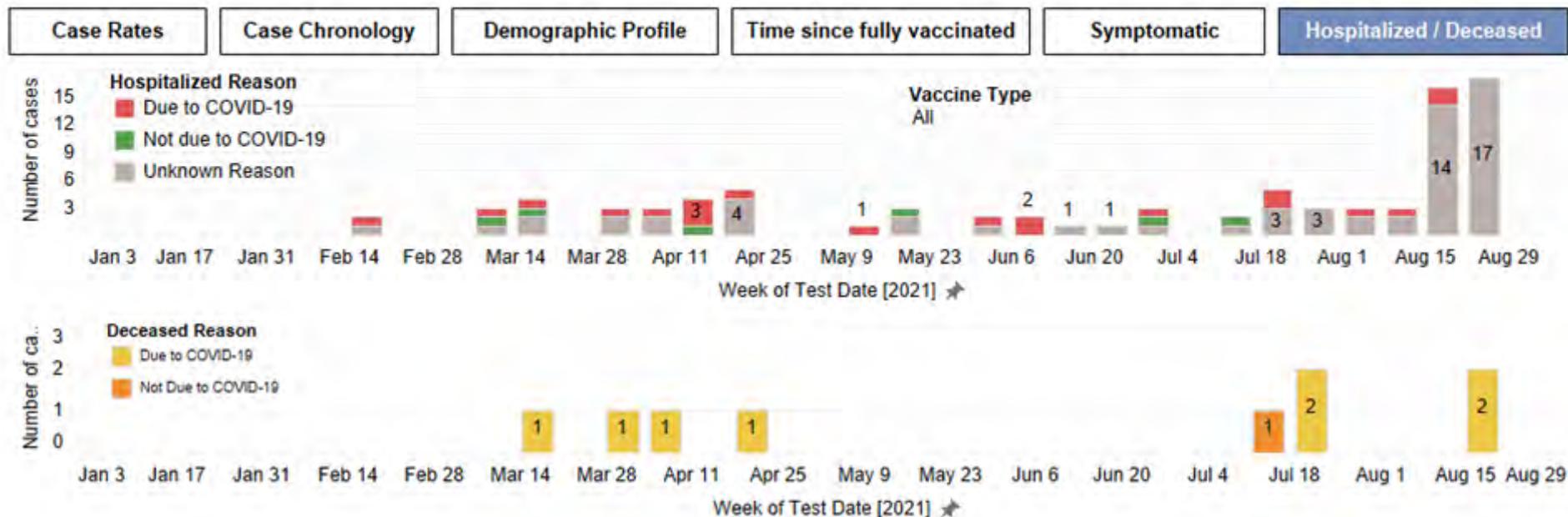
Delta variant



*According to latest estimates, and assuming no lockdown or social distancing measures are in place

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		Total	J&J	Moderna	Pfizer
Hospitalized	Due to COVID-19	20 (23.26%)	5 (50.00%)	4 (14.29%)	11 (22.92%)
	Not due to COVID-19	6 (6.98%)	1 (10.00%)	1 (3.57%)	4 (8.33%)
	Unknown Reason	60 (69.77%)	4 (40.00%)	23 (82.14%)	33 (68.75%)
Total Hospitalizations		86 (100.00%)	10 (11.63%)	28 (32.56%)	48 (55.81%)
Not Hospitalized		443 (18.75%)	88 (22.45%)	96 (15.53%)	259 (19.14%)
Unknown		1,920 (81.25%)	304 (77.55%)	522 (84.47%)	1,094 (80.86%)
Deceased	Due to COVID-19	8 (88.89%)	2 (100.00%)	2 (100.00%)	4 (80.00%)
	Not Due to COVID-19	1 (11.11%)			1 (20.00%)
Total Deaths		9 (100.00%)	2 (22.22%)	2 (22.22%)	5 (55.56%)

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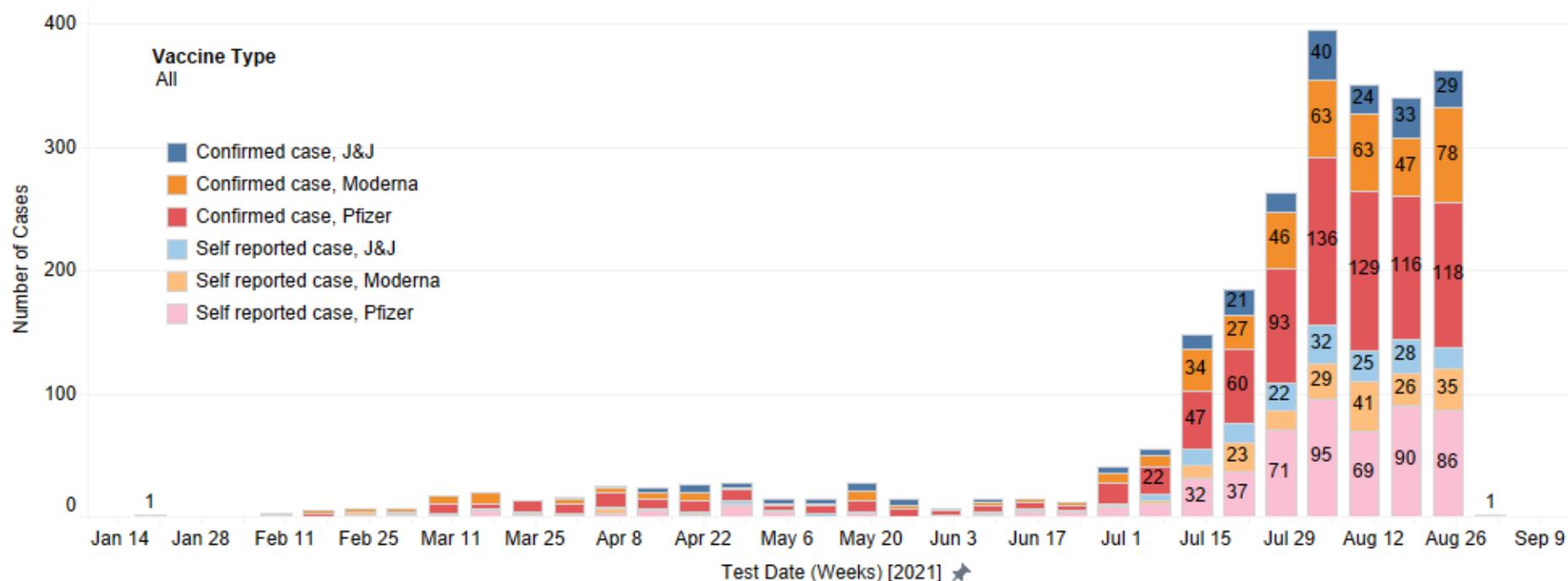
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	Fully Vaccinated	Confirmed cases	Self reported cases	Total cases	Percent
J&J	33,963	225	177	402	1.18%
Moderna	150,596	446	200	646	0.43%
Pfizer	219,616	854	547	1,401	0.64%
Total	404,175	1,525	924	2,449	0.61%

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General Updates from OSSE

Dr. Heidi Schumacher, Assistant Superintendent, OSSE

Updates from OSSE

- Welcome Acting State Superintendent of Education, Dr. Christina Grant!



Nutrition Programs Update

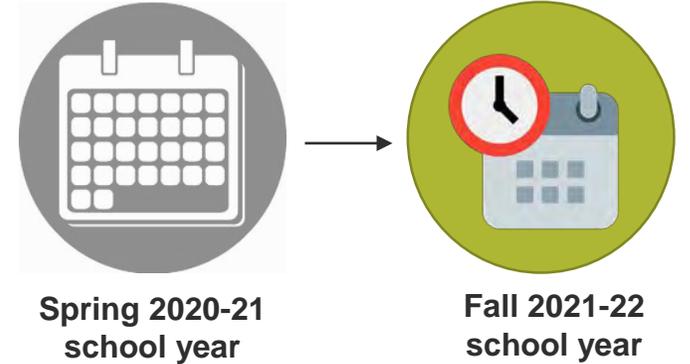
- Student meals:
 - DCPS, public charters schools, and Private Schools participating in school meal programs are serving meals at school AND have contingency plans to continue meal service if/when students are unable to attend in-person
 - Flexibilities are in place through June 30, 2022, and include:
 - Free meals for all
 - Meals to be served for multiple days at a time and sent home with students if needed
 - Meal pattern flexibilities, if needed (needs OSSE approval)
 - Higher per meal reimbursement to schools to offset costs
 - OSSE is supporting LEAs and schools to customize meal service to prioritize student safety, including meals in the classroom, grab and go, and outdoor meals
- Anticipate releasing NSLP Equipment Assistance Grant in the Spring

Mental and Behavioral Health Update

- OSSE continues to collaborate with DBH to support expanding school-based behavioral health to all DCPS and public charter schools.
 - Consult with school leaders on best practices for integrating CBO partners
 - Support SBH teams with annual self-assessment and programmatic planning
 - Participate in Community of Practice and Data/Evaluation core planning meetings
- Professional Development
 - Youth Mental Health First Aid
 - Suicide Prevention Education (have trained 175 SBH providers since April)
- Technical Assistance “Office Hours”
 - Open sessions to dig deeper into effective implementation and evaluation

2021 Youth Risk Behavior Survey Administration

- Fall 2021 Administration
- Transition from Paper to Web-Based Administration
- Questionnaire Updates:
 - Parent/Guardian job loss during the COVID-19 pandemic
 - Mental health over the past 30 days
 - Hours of daily screen time
 - Witnessing community violence (*HS Only*)





Environmental Literacy Update

Grace Manubay, Environmental Literacy Coordinator, OSSE

Environmental Literacy Advisory Committee

- Hosted the first meeting to transition the Environmental Literacy Plan (ELP) agency workgroup into the Environmental Literacy Advisory Committee in August
- The group discussed the creation of a shared vision and goal statement for the committee as it works to implement the 2020 DC Environmental Literacy Plan, continue collaboration, and maintain networks and communication channels across agencies
- Next meeting scheduled at the end of September

Environmental Literacy Grant Updates

- Grantees providing programs to schools that participated in the Environmental Literacy Leadership Cadre and alumni schools, closing out this grant cycle at end of the month
- Successful livestream program series during spring 2021
 - Nature Connections provided eight virtual field trips with environmental experts
 - Preliminary results indicate 1,661 students from 38 schools participated
- Many grant-funded resources created during COVID-19 remain accessible on the OSSE [webpage](#) with distance learning resources

Cadre and Capital LEAF

- Two schools that participated in the Capital LEAF (Leaders in Environmental Actions for Our Future) pilot, DC Bilingual PCS and Key Elementary, have been honored as US Green Ribbon Schools. The recognition ceremony is in DC on Sept. 28
- Eight cadre schools completed the Capital LEAF applications, which are currently being reviewed. We anticipate recognizing these schools during Growing Healthy Schools Month.
- We are hopeful that Capital LEAF continues to be a stepping stone for schools to become US Green Ribbon Schools
- Currently finalizing elements of cadre program and hope to recruit the new cohort of school representatives soon



Commissioners' Current Work

Commissioners



Healthy Youth and Schools Commission Strategic Plan Update

Jeff Travers, Chairman, Healthy Youth and Schools
Commission



ACEs Working Group

Jeff Travers, Chairman, Healthy Youth and Schools
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Nutrition Education and Meals Working Groups

Kristy McCarron, Commissioner, Healthy Youth and Schools Commission
Beverley Wheeler, Commissioner, Healthy Youth and Schools Commission



Data Working Group

Bill Dietz, Commissioner, Healthy Youth and Schools
Commission



Closeout and Priorities for Next Meeting

Jeff Travers, Chairman, Healthy Youth and Schools Commission