

# OPERATIONS STATUS

AS OF OCTOBER 25, 2021

The following status reflects a consistent Harford County status of “high transmission” as defined by the CDC.  
[Click here to view the CDC COVID Data Tracker.](#)

This information will be updated as HCPS recovery efforts evolve, and the COVID-19 crisis changes.



- Schools, offices, transportation, and food and nutrition services operational for all
- COVID diagnostic testing program ongoing at all schools
- Supervisors direct work for employees including in-person essential and remote responsibilities
- HCPS encourages virtual meetings for staff when possible and intentional planning for essential activities for student learning
- **Vaccinations strongly encouraged by CDC, State of Maryland, Harford County Health Department, and HCPS**



- Masks are required indoors and on school buses in compliance with the Maryland State Board of Education
- Visitor appointments preferred. Visitors must sign-in and attest to health
- Field trips central to curriculum require Executive Director of Curriculum approval and COVID safety plan for students showing signs and symptoms of illness
- Assemblies, celebrations, and high-risk activities (such as athletics, fine arts, and dances) require separate consideration and may have additional COVID safety layers or additional approvals
- “Use of Facilities” for non-HCPS organizations is open for outside usage, and is restricted for inside usage requiring Executive Director or Assistant Superintendent for Operations approval



- No person with COVID-19 symptoms, in isolation due to a positive COVID-19 test, in quarantine due to close contact with a person with COVID-19 symptoms or a COVID-19 positive test, may work in or visit HCPS property
- All wishing to enter HCPS property must adhere to their isolation or quarantine timeline as directed by HCPS Health Services in consultation with their personal health care physician, the Harford County Health Department, the Maryland Department of Health and/or any Governor’s order
- No volunteers  
*Due to staffing shortages, exceptions allowable for essential needs as determined by school administration.*

[Click here to view frequently asked questions about HCPS COVID-19 protocols.](#)