



Back to School Advisory Committee Meeting Summary and Recommendations

Meeting Date	11.16	Location	Zoom	Virtual	X	In-Person	
Members Present							
Bert Postell, Chair	X	Carl White, Dir, Stu Svcs	X	Monica Mazzell, Sup. Nursing Svcs	X		
Lisa Fallaw, Principal	X	Rosalyn Greene, Teacher	X	Mike Rosier, Dir. Of Communications		X	
Dr. John Tiffany, Pediatrician	X	Dr. Kenneth Jones, Pediatrician		Josh Raines, Parent Area 1		X	
Michelle Stevens, Parent Area 2	X	Paula Holley, Parent Area 3	X	Khali Kitchings, Parent Area 4			
Iris Glover, Parent Area 5		Kayla Hostetler, Teacher	X				

The reviewed the following data

Data Points Reviewed									
Rate/100K	192 / MED		SC Child Cases		34,397	New Cases SC		1339	
Trend Incidence	HIGH		SC Rank Child Cases		8	New Cases Aiken Co		33	
% positive	13.9% / H		SC Child Rate/100K		2615.8	SC % Positive Rate		15.4%	
Overall	HIGH		Nat'l % Increase		X	New Deaths SC		2	
Quarantine Due to Exposure					Positive Cases **				
	Elem	Middle	High	Totals		Elem	Mid	High	Totals
Employees	52	26	25	103	Employees	8	4	6	18
Students	350	225	578	1153	Students	10	11	13	34
Dist. Staff				11					52
Total				1267	Hospitalizations	0	0	0	0

Based on a review of current data, the committee recommends the following	
Maintain Current Operations	
More Restrictive Operations as Outlined Below	
Begin Transition to Face-to-Face Instruction	
Other Recommendation Outlined Below	X
Recommendation Specifics	
<p>The committee voted unanimously (among members present) to make the following recommendation:</p> <p>Due to increased community spread of COVID-19, the increased number of positive cases within schools, the risk of exposure due to increased asymptomatic spread, and the increased number of quarantines of staff and students leading to lower absence fill rate with substitutes, the committee recommends a move to the following instructional delivery models...</p>	



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Recommended Schedule 11/23 to 1/8:

Remote Learning week of 11/23 to 11/25

Remote Learning week of 11/30 to 12/4 (due to the risk of spread from holiday travel)

Hybrid Learning week of 12/7 to 12/11 and 12/14 to 12/18

Remote Learning week of 1/4 to 1/8 (due to the risk of spread from holiday travel)

Possible Schedule beginning 1/11:

*Hybrid Learning week of 1/11 to 1/15

*4 day week elem week of 1/18 to 1/22

*Begin phase in of Middle/High as cases permit week of 1/25 to 1/29

Concerns we have:

- Technology issues – how can we make sure students have devices in hand to use for the mixed models, also make the learning equitable for those who do not have devices or access to internet, possibly a list of services in the community that can help with technology and connectivity.
- Hybrid Learning Model- use the lessons learned to improve this process, and involve teachers in the process to best meet the needs of the students.
- Travel and potential spread, public health concerns from travel. Being a responsible community partner with our area.
- Staffing issues – not being able to cover the teacher and staff absences resulting in supervision, instruction, bus transportation and school food service shortages.

*This plan is dependent on the numbers of positive cases, quarantine and staffing issues and can be adjusted as needed.