

Update on COVID-19 Health & Safety Measures

School Board Meeting
September 23, 2021

COVID-19 Vaccinations at Schools

- Vaccinations will be offered at Minnie Howard, George Washington Middle School, Francis C. Hammond Middle School

Note: Vaccinations are currently available at King Street in the Teen Wellness Center

- Families of students 12 and older are being surveyed for interest in receiving vaccination at school
- The Transportation Office, in coordination with Student Health Services, will develop a plan to transport students ages 12 and older who are interested in receiving the vaccination to the closest school offering vaccines

COVID-19 Vaccinations for Student Athletes

Recommendation to the School Board:

Beginning November 8, ACPS will require proof of a COVID-19 vaccination for any student participating in Virginia High School League (VHSL) winter and spring sports for the remainder of the 2021-22 school year.

Proof of a COVID-19 vaccination will also be required for participation in any athletic participation, such as conditioning.

Additional updates

- Partnering with Qualtrics for an updated, real-time COVID dashboard and enhancing close contact communication
- Two ACPS & AHD town halls with almost 1,000 participants
- Continued action steps for surveillance testing of 30% of student population per site
- Exploring distancing measures for lunch
- Ongoing communication with VDH on the ViSSTA program

Length of Quarantine

	14-Day Quarantine	10-Day Quarantine	7-Day Quarantine
When to use?	Preferred Option	If 14-day quarantine causes undue physical, mental and economic hardship, and testing cannot be obtained for the exposed person	If 14-day quarantine causes undue physical, mental and economic hardship, and testing can be obtained for the exposed person
What is the risk?	0-3% risk that the person will become positive for COVID-19 after Day 14*	1-10% risk that the person will become positive for COVID-19 after day 10*	5-12% risk that the person will become positive for COVID-19 after day 7*
Additional Considerations	May be necessary for large or uncontrolled outbreaks, or in sports teams		At-home tests are acceptable for releasing from quarantine at 7 days

*Numbers cited from [Science Brief: Options to Reduce Quarantine for Contacts of Persons with SARS-CoV-2 Infection Using Symptom Monitoring and Diagnostic Testing](#) and were calculated before the Delta variant became the predominant variant in the United States.

Questions and Answers

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