

Current Active Covid-19 Information

The Bedford Area School District recognizes clear and precise information is incredibly beneficial to families and the community. We know information travels quickly and the community will have questions about potential Covid-19 cases in our schools. We want you to know the truth about the current active situations so you can help us mitigate the spread and confidently support the school's mission to offer face to face education. This page provides verifiable information about Covid-19 in our schools and the district's effort to mitigate any potential spread.

District Approach to Mitigation

The district wants you to know our approach to mitigating the spread of Covid-19 is both aggressive and conservative. We will aggressively investigate potential cases in an effort to fully understand any potential spread. We ask everyone to work with our contact tracers to help us protect students, staff, and the community. Also, we sincerely ask all members of the educational community who have a questionable situation to call first before sending students to school. **For example, if a parent fears a household member has Covid-19, call us before sending your children to school.** Additionally, we will make conservative decisions to protect students such as beginning a quarantine to be safe rather than a wait and see approach. We would rather respond quickly to a potential case and err on the side of caution. We are hopeful this approach to mitigation will protect students, and prevent the need to physically close schools forcing a transition to a complete virtual education.

Definitions of Active Cases

Active Positive Case is someone who has a positive Covid-19 test and is currently in quarantine.

Active Close Contact is a person who has been within 6 feet of an active positive case, whether masked or unmasked, for 15 minutes or more and is currently in quarantine.

Active Suspected Case is an individual who is experiencing Covid-19 symptoms and is seeking medical attention and is currently in quarantine.

Active Suspected Close Contact is a person who has been within 6 feet of an active suspected case, whether masked or unmasked, for 15 minutes or more and is currently in quarantine.

Current Active Covid-19 Case Data

Please note the information in this chart consists of active cases as defined above currently involved in the district's mitigation effort. This is not a cumulative total.

Updated: 8/31/20

<u>As of Monday 8/31/2020</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Active Positive Cases	0
Active Close Contact	1
Suspected Active Case	8
Suspected Active Close Contact	12

<u>Week 8/24/2020 through 8/28/2020</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Active Positive Cases	0
Active Close Contact	1
Suspected Active Case	1
Suspected Active Close Contact	8

<u>Week 8/17/2020 through 8/21/2020</u>	<u>Number of Cases</u>
Active Positive Cases	0
Active Close Contact	1
Suspected Active Case	2
Suspected Active Close Contact	