

Changes in Directives for Early Learning and Childcare Facilities and Schools

ALERT LEVEL: ORANGE

Public Schools

Mask use

- All students in Grades K-12 are required to wear a mask on a school bus, even when sitting with a sibling or alone.
- For students in Grades 9-12, masks are required at all times when at school, except when they are eating or in play during sports activities. This includes when the students are outside.
- For students in Grades K-8, masks are required at all times when at school, except when they are sitting at a desk working silently, eating, or in play during sports activities. This includes when the students are outside.
- For all school personnel, masks are required at all times when at school, except when they are eating. This includes when they are outside.

Intramural, Interscholastic and Extra-Curricular Activities

All intramural, interscholastic and extra-curricular activities, including SISTEMA, school sports, drama, music, and any other after school activities are suspended.

Immunocompromised students and staff

- Students and school personnel who are immunocompromised should contact their health care provider for direction. Distance learning plans will be put in place. The IWK has defined immunocompromised as being a person who:
 - is having chemotherapy currently or have within the last 6 months
 - is having radiation therapy
 - has received a bone marrow transplant in the last year or Graft Versus Host Disease
 - is a recipient of a solid organ transplant
 - has sickle cell disease
 - has a spleen that does not work
 - has a genetic cause for immune dysfunction
 - has HIV/AIDS
 - is taking immunosuppressive medication
 - has other history of immune suppression, as defined by a Physician.