

Superintendent Reports

January 5, 2021



**The information in this presentation
will be updated on January 5, 2021
with the most recent information available.**

Topics

- Denver Area School Superintendents Council (DASSC) Update
- First Semester Overview of High School Student Performance
 - High School Grading
 - Mask Types

Denver Area School Superintendents Council (DASSC)

- Majority of school districts are returning in person PK-Elementary in January
 - Area school districts:
 - Some elementary starting January 5 or later
 - Some middle and high schools starting as early as January 11
 - Working with Governor and COVIDCheck Colorado for testing
 - DCSD will monitor and look at return of middle and high schools
 - January 19 BoE Meeting
 - Potential end of January return for middle and high schools
 - Ability to sustain operational functions, including substitute teachers
 - Schools remain in person, less transitions and consistency
 - Health data remains low over next three (3) weeks

A. Case Rates: 14-day case number per 100,000 population	403.95
B. Trend in case numbers per 100.000 in the past two weeks	-29.1%
C. Percent positivity on polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing in the past two weeks	6.56%
D. Trend in number of hospitalizations of persons with COVID-19 in the past two weeks	-52.2%
E. Trend in case rates (number per 100.000) in the past two weeks for school-age children (5-18)	-59.4%

Data as of 12/28/20

We will continue to monitor our data in January along with our sustainability of PK-Elem full in person to have our operational ability to bring middle and high schools back in person hybrid and we are looking at all options for our middle and high schools in-person models.

First Semester Overview of High School Performance

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- Fall 2019 and Fall of 2020 Failure Rate Data
 - Failure rate was the main topic at the high school level
 - 2019 % (Data provided January 5)
 - 2020 % (Data provided January 5)
- Schools have made adjustments for Spring
 - Schedules and time with teachers
 - Identify students and systems of intervention earlier
 - Support of Professional Learning Communities (PLC) teams
 - Counselors and staff with parents and students

Student Engagement in Remote: Secondary Schools

During January while middle and high schools are remote

- PLC work to coordinate remote instructional strategies and grading strategies and interventions
- Daily check-ins with all students
 - Calls and check-ins with students that are absent
- Weekly care and concern meetings with action plans for students
 - Attendance
 - Grades
 - Mental health and social emotional well-being
- Wrap around support from mental health and counselors
 - Prevention and Intervention
 - Student Support Services

Mask Types

Masks and Mitigating Factors

- Principals have discussed reminders and communication about mask wearing and distancing for staff and students
 - Expect schools to practice and maintain mitigation processes
 - Wearing appropriate masks at school and reminders often
- Encourage and make available KN95 masks and face shields for teachers
 - Elementary and for secondary teachers with most impacted groups
 - Delivered to schools that requested through survey
 - Schools can order more and they will be delivered
 - Preparation for middle and high schools is in place for return hybrid