Coronavirus Resource Guide Updates
October 14, 2020

For more information on the Coronavirus and related issues for schools, visit: www.doe.in.gov; www.cdc.gov; www.in.gov/isdh; www.ed.gov/coronavirus.

This update supplements the Coronavirus Resource Guide dated August 19, 2020 and was written to direct you to appropriate updated resources and services. It should not be used to replace local, state, or federal guidelines. All references have been provided in-line and in a resource section at the end of the update to help you continue your research. All information has been adapted from state and federal agencies and other quality resources to support and specify the role of the school board during this pandemic.

Updates from the State of Indiana

Executive Orders

The Governor announced on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, during a press conference, that he was keeping the State in Stage 5 for another 30 days. (The current executive order moving the State to Stage 5 expires October 17, 2020.) The Governor further stated he will revisit the decision in a week, and hold another press conference on Wednesday, October 21, 2020.

The face covering requirements have also been extended.

As of Thursday, October 15, 2020, the written executive order extending Stage 5 for another 30 days has not been posted.

As a reminder, the Governor's declaration of a public health emergency remains in effect until November 1, 2020. See Executive Order 20-44 at https://www.in.gov/gov/files/Executive%20Order%2020-44%20Seventh%20Renewal%20of%20Emergency%20Declaration.pdf.

Indiana State Department of Health

The COVID-19 Dashboard and Map, including data on school COVID-19 counts, may be found at https://www.coronavirus.in.gov/2393.htm.

The State Department of Health's recommendations on school operations (in the areas of academic instruction, extracurricular activities, and community engagement) based on the level of COVID-19 in the counties may be found at https://www.coronavirus.in.gov/files/COVID-19-Schools_color%20level%20recommendations.pdf.

Updates from the Federal Government

None to Report

Website Resources for School Boards

Indiana Resources
- ISDH "Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Guidance for Schools": https://www.in.gov/isdh/files/ISDH%20school%20guidance.pdf
- Social Distancing and Self-Monitoring Guidelines ISDH: https://www.in.gov/isdh/files/Coronavirus%20Self-Monitor%20Infographic_ISDH.pdf
- State Board of Accounts memo on the use of public funds during the public health emergency: https://www.in.gov/sboa/files/Assistance%20During%20COVID-19%203.31.2020.pdf
- State Examiner Directive on Claims: https://www.in.gov/sboa/files/Directive%202020-1%20Claim.Deposits%203.19.2020%20(003).pdf
- IDOE eLearning and Remote Learning for students with disabilities: https://www.doe.in.gov/sites/default/files/elearning/elearning-day-program-guidance-students-disabilities-rev-052219.pdf.

National Resources
- "Interim Guidance for Administrators of US Childcare Programs and K-12 Schools: Plan, Prepare and Respond to Coronavirus Disease" 2019 CDC: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/guidance-for-schools.html
- "K-12 Schools and Childcare Programs: FAQs for Administrators" CDC: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools-faq.html
- "Preparing K-12 School Administrators for a Safe Return to School in Fall 2020": https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/prepare-safe-return.html
- "Considerations for Schools: Operating Schools During COVID-19": https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/schools.html
- NSBA: COVID-19 PREPARING FOR WIDESPREAD ILLNESS IN YOUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY A Legal Guide for School Leaders: https://www.nsba.org/-/media/NSBA/File/legal-school-safety-addendum-coronavirus-march-3-2020.pdf?la=en&hash=1D72FA91F23169E07855464FC5D1434148FE3F78
- EPA/CDC Recommendations for School Cleaning: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html

- US Dept. of Ed., COVID-19 Information and Resources for Schools and School Personnel: https://www.ed.gov/coronavirus?src=feature
- US Dept. of Ed., Q&A on educating students with special needs during the pandemic: https://sites.ed.gov/idea/files/qa-covid-19-03-12-2020.pdf.
- The Office for Civil Rights webinar on eLearning and Remote Learning: https://www.youtube.com/watch?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=&v=DCMLk4cES6A.