

# Think Trough Academy



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## Reopening Schools & Covid-19 Community Spread

The ADHS recommends schools to offer any in-person learning if the following health benchmarks fall within the moderate or minimal spread category in all three benchmarks for two weeks.

1. **Cases:** a two week decline in the number of cases or two weeks with new case rates below 100 per 100,000
2. **Percent positivity:** two weeks with less than 7% positivity
3. **COVID-like Illness Syndromic Surveillance:** two weeks with hospital visits due to COVID-like illness below 10%

The CDC defines community spread as follows:

- Minimal Moderate Substantial Cases 100 cases/100,000 Percent Positivity 10% COVID-like Illness 10%  
Minimal community spread: Evidence of isolated cases or limited community transmission, case investigations underway; no evidence of exposure in large communal setting
- Moderate Community Spread: Sustained transmission with high likelihood or confirmed exposure within communal settings and potential for rapid increase in cases
- Substantial Community Spread: Large scale, controlled community transmission, including communal settings (e.g., schools, workplaces)

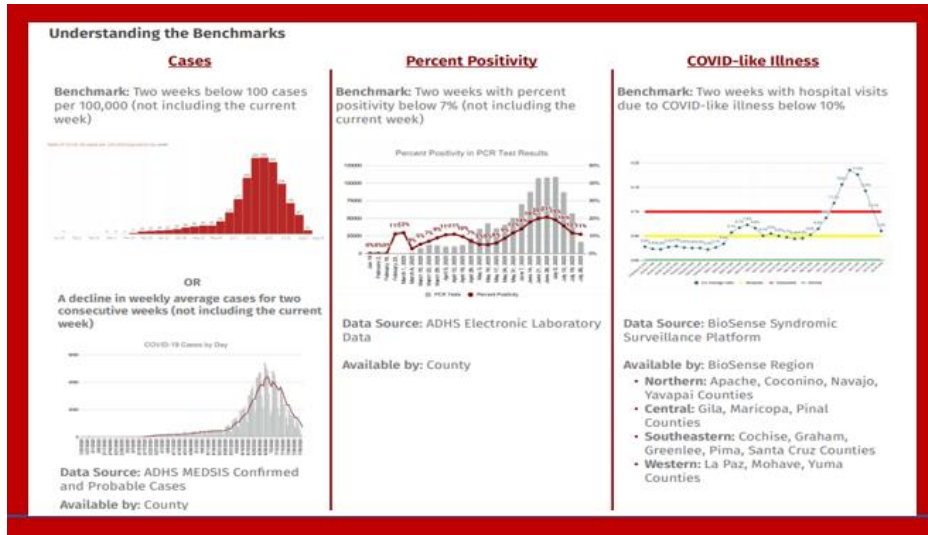
Benchmarks	Minimal	Moderate	Substantial
Cases	<10 cases/100,000	10-100 cases/100,000	>100 cases/100,000
Percent Positivity	<5%	5-10%	>10%
COVID-like Illness	<5%	5-10%	>10%

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The data provided by ADHS and CDC is as follows:

	Cases	% Positivity	CLI*
Apache	✓	✓	✓ (Northern Region)
Cochise	✓	✓	✓ (Southern Region)
Coconino	✓	✓	✓ (Northern Region)
Gila	✗	✗	✓ (Central Region)
Graham	✗	✗	✓ (Southern Region)
Greenlee	✓	✓	✓ (Southern Region)
La Paz	✓	✓	✓ (Western Region)
Maricopa	✓	✓	✓ (Central Region)
Mohave	✓	✗	✓ (Western Region)
Navajo	✓	✓	✓ (Northern Region)
Pima	✓	✓	✓ (Southern Region)
Pinal	✓	✓	✓ (Central Region)
Santa Cruz	✓	✗	✓ (Southern Region)
Yavapai	✓	✓	✓ (Northern Region)
Yuma	✓	✗	✓ (Western Region)




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Community spread levels as determined by Arizona Department of Health and corresponding models of instruction and mitigation strategies.

 <b>Traditional Learning Scenario 1</b>	 <b>Hybrid Learning Scenario 2</b>	 <b>Virtual w/Onsite Support Learning Scenario 3</b>
<p><b>All 3 benchmarks in the green category for two consecutive weeks of data.</b></p>	<p><b>All 3 benchmarks in the “yellow” or “green” categories for two consecutive weeks of data.</b></p>	<p><b>One or more benchmarks in the “red” category for two consecutive weeks of data</b></p>
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As provided by Arizona Department of Health (ADE):

Community Spread Level	Delivery Model	Hand Hygiene & Respiratory Etiquette	Enhanced Cleaning	Proper Ventilation (buildings and Buses)	Monitor Absenteeism	Symptom Screening	Physical Distancing (6 feet)	Cloth Face Coverings	Cohorting	Field Trips & Large Gatherings Canceled	Communal Spaces Closed
No to Minimal	Traditional	X	X	X	X						
Minimal to Moderate	Hybrid	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Substantial	Virtual w/ remote support services	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

For more information please use the following links:

[School Reopening Dashboard](#)

[Reading the Benchmark Report](#)

[Roadmap for Reopening Schools](#)

Sincerely,

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