

USD 411 COVID Gating Criteria*

Goessel Public Schools is committed to in-person instruction and keeping students and staff in our buildings learning and working. The following rubric contains four important criteria to influence when we should tighten or relax multiple levels of layering and mitigation protocols. The USD 411 Health Team analyzes data and dynamic scenarios and has been empowered to make all final decisions using this Board approved document as our guide. Marion County Health Department and the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) will continue as an ongoing resource for the USD 411 Health Team.

CRITERIA	RATIONALE	GREEN	YELLOW	RED
Number of active positive cases - <i>per building</i>	Positive people can spread COVID to others, even before they have symptoms. Some positive cases will never be detected.	GES – 1 JH/HS – 2	GES – 2 JH/HS – 3	GES – 3 or more JH/HS – 4 or more
Number of new cases due to outbreaks (in-school spread) in the last 14 days - <i>per building</i>	If detected transmission is happening in schools, it's a sign our measures need to be stronger.	0-1	2	3 or more
Number of active modified quarantines - <i>district wide</i>	We only have staffing and supplies to track and test a certain number of people in our district. Beyond that, our testing & tracking is overwhelmed and we need backstop measures to slow the spread.	0-10	11-19	20 or more
CDC masking map color, tri-county area (considers incidence rate & test positivity rate) https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view	High community spread is likely to bring COVID into our buildings, risking spread at school.	Blue or yellow (low or moderate)	Orange (substantial)	Red (High)

***Use the highest measure supported by at least two categories**