



COVID-19 Capacity Information Summer & Fall 2021

Based on the latest guidance, the following are the current social distancing requirements that subsequently influence the capacities of classrooms and common areas. It is likely this guidance will be updated over the summer prior to the start of the school year.

Physical Distancing

Physical distancing recommendations should not prevent a school from offering full-time, in person learning to all students/families in the Fall.

Practice physical distancing of at least three feet or more between students in classroom settings, and at least six feet or more in certain circumstances to the degree possible and reasonable that allows for full-time, in person learning for all students.

CLASSROOMS

Maintain three feet of distance between students in classroom settings to the degree possible. The original posted classroom capacities were based on 7-feet of physical distancing. With the allowance of 3-feet as the guideline, this effectively puts our classrooms back to pre-COVID capacity levels.

CAFETERIAS

Maintain six feet of distance between students to the degree possible for all staff and students when masks can't be worn, such as when eating lunch.

GYMS

Maintain six feet of distance between students to the degree possible for all staff and students during activities when increased exhalation occurs, such as PE or other exercise, or shouting. These activities should be moved outdoors or to large, well-ventilated spaces whenever possible.

WEIGHT ROOMS

Maintain six feet of distance between students to the degree possible for all staff and students during activities when increased exhalation occurs, such as PE or other exercise.

BAND

Brass & woodwind instruments must maintain a minimum of 9 feet of physical distancing, wear masks, and use bell covers. **Percussion instruments** must maintain a minimum of six feet of physical distancing.

CHOIR

- Solo singers and performers in a rehearsal setting may rehearse without a face covering but must maintain at least 15 feet of physical distance from the pianist/accompanist and others. If masked, a minimum of 6 feet of physical distancing required.
- Group rehearsal/practice activities requires all performers to wear a mask while practicing and maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance from others.
- Group size is unlimited subject to maintenance of 6 feet of physical distancing.

ORCHESTRA

String and percussion instruments must maintain a minimum of six feet of physical distancing.

Language from the [WA Dept. of Health K-12 COVID-19 Requirements for Summer & Fall 2021](#) (5/13/21)

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Maintain three feet of distance between students in classroom settings to the degree possible.

Maintain six feet of distance between students to the degree possible for the following circumstances:

- Between adults/staff in the school building and between adults and students.
- For all staff and student in common areas, such as school lobbies and auditoriums.
- For all staff and students when masks can't be worn, such as when eating lunch.
- For all staff and students during activities when increased exhalation occurs, such as PE, exercise, or shouting. These activities should be moved outdoors or to large, well-ventilated spaces whenever possible.
- For all staff and students, in community settings outside of the classroom.