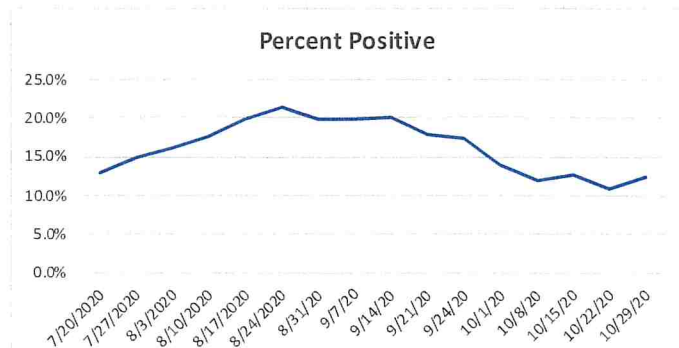


## SC DHEC Recent Disease Activity, by County Lancaster

Date	Incident Rate Category	Incident Rate (per 100,000)	Trend in Incident Rate	Percent Positive Category	Percent Positive
		Low $\leq$ 50			Low $\leq$ 5.0%
7/12/2020	High	217.0	High	High	12.0%
7/20/2020	High	214.9	Medium	High	13.0%
7/27/2020	High	285.2	High	High	14.8%
8/3/2020	High	322.9	High	High	16.2%
8/10/2020	High	307.2	Medium	High	17.7%
8/17/2020	High	310.3	Medium	High	19.8%
8/24/2020	High	327.5	High	High	21.4%
8/31/20	High	265.3	Low	High	19.9%
9/7/20	High	233.6	Low	High	19.8%
9/14/20	High	253.0	Medium	High	20.2%
9/21/20	High	227.5	Medium	High	17.9%
9/24/20	High	241.8	Medium	High	17.4%
10/1/20	Medium	161.2	Low	High	13.9%
10/8/20	Medium	163.2	Low	High	11.9%
10/15/20	Medium	178.5	Medium	High	12.8%
10/22/20	Medium	182.6	High	High	10.9%
10/29/20	High	203.0	High	High	12.5%



# Recent Disease Activity, by County

As of 10.29.2020



[CDC recommends](#) that all decisions about implementing school-based strategies should be made locally, in collaboration with local health officials who can help determine the level of transmission in the community. DHEC is providing this county-level data about disease transmission to support decision-making at the local level. It is not meant to be a stand-alone document.

## Metrics and Categorizations:

- **Two – week Incidence Rate:** the number of new cases in the prior two weeks (October 15 – October 28, 2020) per 100,000 people. This metric provides the recent incidence of COVID-19 infections in that county. Categorization (# cases/100,000 people):
  - **Low: 0 – 50**
  - **Medium: 51 – 200**
  - **High:  $\geq 201$**
- **Trend in Incidence Rate:** whether the two-week incidence rate is increasing, decreasing, or stable compared to the previous two weeks. For purposes of this assessment, consider the trends to be equivalent to:
  - **Decreasing by at least 10% = Low**
  - **Stable = Medium**
  - **Increasing by at least 10% = High**
- **Two-Week Percent Positive Rate:** the percentage of individuals who tested positive out of the number of individuals tested with a molecular (swab, or PCR) test in the last two weeks for each county. The metric takes into consideration the number of tests performed for residents of the county in the previous two weeks. Categorization:
  - **Low:  $\leq 5.0\%$**
  - **Medium: 5.1% - 9.9%**
  - **High:  $\geq 10.0\%$**



## Recent Disease Activity, by County

As of 10.29.2020

### How to Calculate the Disease Activity for your County:

- I. Locate your county on the following table and read across for each of the three categories listed: incidence rate, trend in incidence rate, and percent positive.

**1) Example: Greenville County**

- 1) Incidence Rate = High
- 2) Trend in Incidence Rate = High
- 3) Percent Positive Rate = High

- II. If the rates are the same in each of the three categories, as they are in the example of Greenville County, then the overall disease assessment is as it appears

**1) Example: Greenville County = High**

- III. If the rates are not the same in each category, take the average of them.

**1) Example: Laurens County:**

- 1) Incidence Rate = Medium
- 2) Trend in Incidence Rate = Medium
- 3) Percent Positive Rate = High
  - 1) There are two metrics that are Medium and one that is High, so the disease activity level overall is Medium

**2) Example: Aiken County:**

- 1) Incidence Rate = Medium
- 2) Trend in Incidence Rate = Low
- 3) Percent Positive Rate = High.
  - 1) There is one metric that is High, one that is Medium, and one that is Low; so the disease activity level overall is Medium.

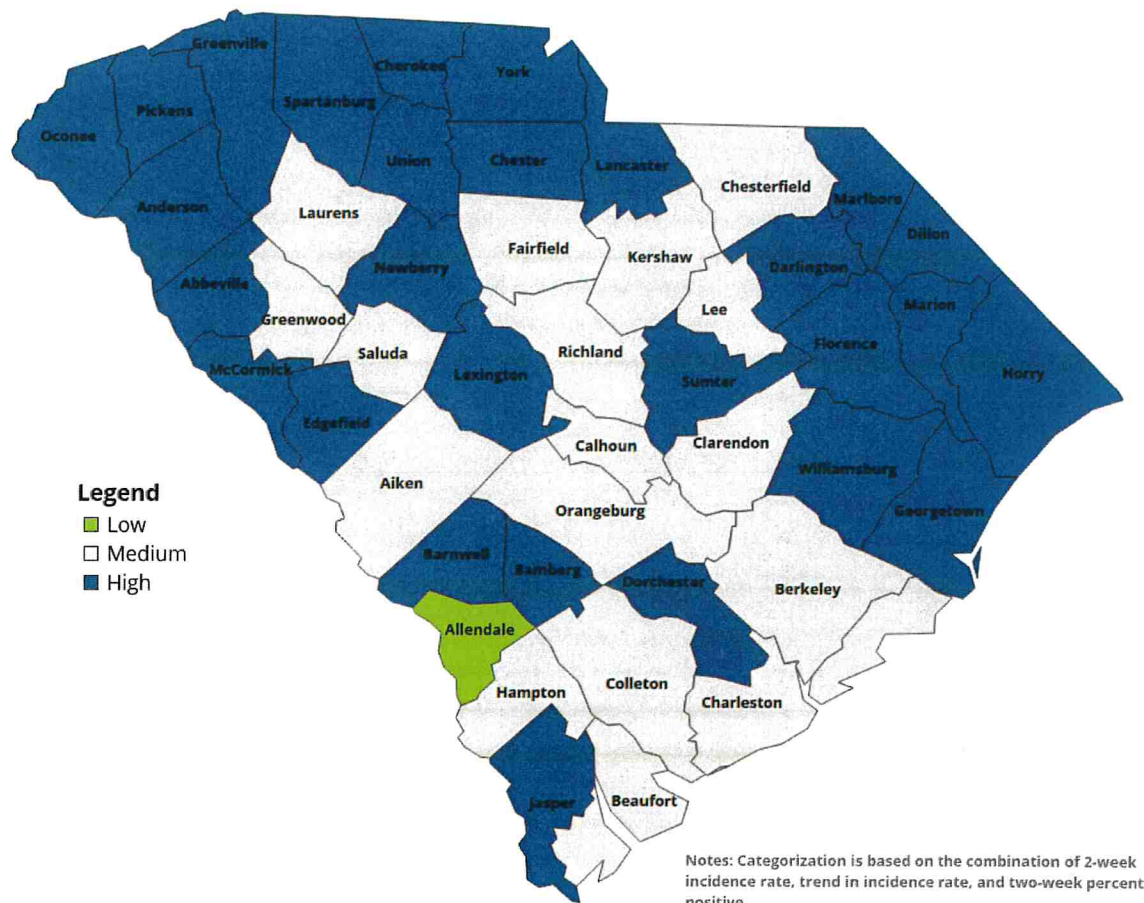


## Recent Disease Activity, by County

As of 10.29.2020

### COVID-19 Recent Disease Activity, by County

As of 11:59 PM on 10/28/2020



1 County has **Low** Recent Disease Activity  
17 Counties have **Medium** Recent Disease Activity  
28 Counties have **High** Recent Disease Activity



## Recent Disease Activity, by County

As of 10.29.2020

County	Incidence Rate (per 100,000)		Trend in Incidence Rate	Percent Positive	
Abbeville	High	236.5	Medium	High	19.4%
Aiken	Medium	160.4	Low	High	11.2%
Allendale	Low	23.0	Low	Low	2.1%
Anderson	High	332.7	High	High	17.6%
Bamberg	High	227.5	High	High	18.9%
Barnwell	High	220.5	Low	High	13.7%
Beaufort	Medium	119.7	High	Medium	6.0%
Berkeley	Medium	129.0	High	Medium	9.9%
Calhoun	Medium	130.6	Low	High	14.1%
Charleston	Medium	157.8	High	Medium	8.7%
Cherokee	High	319.4	High	High	14.8%
Chester	High	294.6	Medium	High	15.8%
Chesterfield	Medium	197.2	Low	High	12.6%
Clarendon	Medium	91.9	High	Medium	5.4%
Colleton	High	209.7	Low	Medium	9.0%
Darlington	High	234.2	High	High	13.3%
Dillon	High	242.8	Low	High	10.1%
Dorchester	Medium	170.8	High	High	10.1%
Edgefield	Medium	198.1	High	High	12.1%
Fairfield	Medium	170.0	Low	Medium	8.1%
Florence	High	224.9	High	High	10.8%
Georgetown	High	244.1	High	High	19.3%
Greenville	High	314.2	High	High	14.1%
Greenwood	Medium	151.1	Low	High	13.9%
Hampton	Medium	145.7	Low	Medium	7.1%
Horry	High	205.3	Low	High	12.3%
Jasper	Medium	186.2	High	High	10.8%
Kershaw	High	234.4	Low	Medium	9.6%
Lancaster	High	203.0	High	High	12.5%
Laurens	Medium	160.0	Medium	High	12.2%
Lee	Medium	160.4	Medium	Medium	9.2%
Lexington	High	207.5	Medium	High	10.4%
Marion	High	362.1	Medium	High	11.0%
Marlboro	High	283.3	Low	High	10.6%
McCormick	Medium	169.1	High	High	12.1%
Newberry	High	288.8	Low	High	11.9%
Oconee	High	308.0	Low	High	15.4%
Orangeburg	Medium	121.8	Medium	Medium	8.2%
Pickens	High	547.7	High	High	18.1%
Richland	Medium	198.2	Medium	High	10.8%
Saluda	Medium	63.5	Low	Medium	9.6%
Spartanburg	High	308.6	High	High	14.9%
Sumter	Medium	174.3	High	High	12.9%
Union	High	248.9	Low	High	11.2%
Williamsburg	High	227.2	High	High	10.5%
York	High	233.8	High	High	12.1%



# Covid-19 Dashboard

## District Summary at a Glance

Week of Oct. 4 - 10

*Both totals include students and employees districtwide for in-person students and staff.*

Total Quarantined	Total Positive
184	9

### Definitions:

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**Positive** - only includes individuals with a lab-confirmed positive test.

Individuals who were in proximity to a positive case are notified and will be monitored for symptoms for 14 days.

Sources: S.C. Department of Health & Control, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, and U.S. Department of Health & Human Services. School data includes cases known by school and district nursing staff.

## Lancaster County Disease Activity



Data is updated weekly and only reflects active cases. Data may differ from the SC DHEC report on school-level activity which releases two times per week.



# Covid-19 Dashboard

## District Summary at a Glance

Week of Oct. 11 - 16

*Both totals include students and employees districtwide for in-person students and staff.*

Total Quarantined	Total Positive
279	17

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Lancaster County Disease Activity		
Two-Week Incident Rate	Trend in Incident Rate	Two-Week Positive Rate
MEDIUM 178.5 per 100,000 people	MEDIUM	HIGH - 12.8%



# Covid-19 Dashboard

## District Summary at a Glance

Week of Oct. 19 - 23

*Both totals include students and employees districtwide for in-person students and staff.*

Total Quarantined

247

Total Positive

10

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## Lancaster County Disease Activity

Two-Week  
Incident Rate

MEDIUM  
182.6 per 100,000 people

Trend in  
Incident Rate

HIGH

Two-Week  
Positive Rate

HIGH - 10.9%



## Lancaster County School District Reopening Considerations

2020-2021 School Year

### OPTION B

The Lancaster County School District will follow the guidance from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), the SC Department of Health and Environmental Control (SC DHEC), local officials, as well as the SC Department of Education (SC SDE), as we make decisions about the reopening of school and to address educational needs while providing the recommended safety precautions.

#### **When would the district transition to a less restrictive model (fully face-to-face) model?**

*If the Lancaster County School District was able to procure plexiglass shields that met DHEC requirements, then the district would be able to transition to a less restrictive model. The SC SDE has committed to purchasing plexiglass shields for our classrooms to allow us to reduce social distances significantly while still maintaining an acceptable level of safety for our students and staff.*

#### **Once plexiglass shields arrive and are installed then:**

1. The **hybrid elementary** students will transition to 4 days per week, with both the A day and B day students attending on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.
2. The district will provide a two-week notice of this date.
3. One week after the elementary hybrid students return, **hybrid middle school** students will transition to 4 days per week, with both the A day and B day students attending on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.
4. Beginning after winter break, **hybrid high school** students will transition to 4 days per week, with both the A day and B day students attending on 4 days per week.

## Lancaster County School District Reopening Considerations

### 2020-2021 School Year

5. *The following will apply to elementary, middle and high school students:*
- a. *If parents of **fully virtual students** would like to consider moving their students to the 4-day per week model, we will ask them to remain virtual as we work out the logistics and we determine the impact on the schedules and the community spread within the school.*
  - b. *If parents of hybrid students want to move their student to the fully virtual model, rather than transition back to 4 days per week, that will be allowable.*
  - c. ***Students and employees will wear masks at all times, as required by SC DHEC, with the use of plexiglass shields.***
  - d. *Start time will remain the same, or be slightly adjusted, as bus routes will need to be expanded to transport the increased student population.*
  - e. *After the winter holidays and based on current disease activity in the county and within the schools, we will determine when to transition the fully virtual students back to face-to-face instruction.*

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### **When would the district transition to a more restrictive model (hybrid or fully virtual) model?**

*The district will continue to monitor the statistics, as published weekly by DHEC, to review the Two-Week Incident Rate per 100,000, Trend in Incident Rate, and the Two-Week Percent Positive Rate, to determine the need to revert to a more restrictive model, including a hybrid and fully virtual models. Guidance from state officials, including SC DHEC and the SC SDE, would be consulted on appropriate steps if numbers should again increase to a significantly above the benchmarks for “high” in each category.*

***In addition, the number of positive cases and close contacts within a school/district will continue to be used as a measure to determine***

## Lancaster County School District Reopening Considerations

2020-2021 School Year

***when to quarantine individuals, classrooms and/or schools for 2 or more weeks.***

### **OPTION B**

1. Plexiglass shields arrive and are installed in classrooms across the district, beginning with elementary schools. \*

**Then...**

2. In 2 weeks, elementary school A/B students return 4 days per week.

**Then...**

3. In 1 more week, middle school A/B students return 4 days per week.

**Then...**

4. after winter break, all A/B students return 4 days per week.

\*The timeline for delivery and installation are dependent upon on the SC SDE process.

*\*\*The district will work with fully virtual parents to have their students return, if the parent selects to have them return to face-to-face instruction. This process may be delayed as logistics are arranged to accommodate the increased enrollment.*