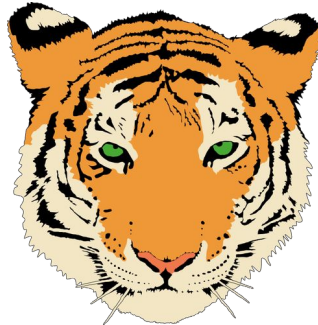




Hartselle City Schools' COVID PROTOCOLS

2025-2026 School Year



As Hartselle City Schools begins the 2025-2026 school year, the following guidance is offered based on current recommendations from the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) and the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)

People who test positive for COVID-19 should follow CDC guidance for [preventing spread of respiratory viruses when sick](#) People with a respiratory virus should stay away from other until at least 24 hours after both symptoms are improving overall and they have not had a fever without the use of fever-reducing medication. For 5 additional days, people should consider added precautions such as hygiene, use of masks, physical distancing, and steps for cleaner air. (www.cdc.gov March 2024)

● **Individuals may return to school/work when:**

- Symptoms have improved AND he/she has not had a fever for at least 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication (i.e. Tylenol (Acetaminophen), Advil (Ibuprofen))
- If individual is advised otherwise by his/her healthcare provider, he/she should follow guidance provided by the provider.

Attendance Protocols for 2025-2026

There are no longer “COVID” codes within Powerschool. Therefore, for those who test positive for COVID will need to present a MD note or parent excuse.

Please note that protocols are subject to change as conditions change