

Metrics for Returning to In-Person Instruction Through the On-Site or Hybrid Model



In accordance with Governor Brown’s [Executive Order 21-06](#), the following table is required mandatory guidance for public schools, school districts, public charter schools, and education service districts. It is advisory for private schools.

Small Counties = Less than 15,000 Medium Counties = 15,000-29,999 Large Counties = 30,000 or more

Public School Instructional Model Requirements and Options <i>Public schools must provide a CDL option for students and families that choose to remain off-site.</i>	County Case Rate <i>Per 100,000 people over 14 days in large counties</i>	County Case Count <i>Over 14 days for small and medium counties</i>	County Test Positivity <i>Over 14 days for medium and large counties</i>
Public K-12 schools <i>must</i> offer an On-Site or Hybrid option	<200.0	<60	<10.0%
Public Elementary schools <i>must</i> offer an On-Site or Hybrid option <i>*Public middle and high schools are not required to initially open to in-person instruction and may limit to CDL only as needed to address any current transmission within a school.</i>	200.0 to ≤350.0	60 to ≤90	≤10.0%
Public schools <i>may</i> limit to Comprehensive Distance Learning (CDL) <i>*K-12 public schools are not required to initially open to in-person instruction and may limit to CDL exclusively if needed to address any current transmission within a school.</i>	>350.0	>90	>10.0%
<i>*Schools should <u>not</u> reduce in-person instruction or revert to CDL based on county metrics if the school can demonstrate the ability to limit transmission in the school environment. When county trends increase to a new tier on this chart (green-to-yellow or yellow-to-red), pausing expansion of additional in-person learning and maintaining access to current in-person learning for schools that have it in place is recommended.</i>			

Note: If the applicable metrics place a county in different rows of this table, the more restrictive operating status is indicated and advised. For example, if a large county has a case rate of 185 and test positivity of 15% - CDL is indicated and advised unless already operating in-person.