



ELIZABETH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 2021

Video on Social Media Threatening Violence

It has been brought to our attention that a video is circulating on various social media platforms, including TikTok and SnapChat, warning of nationwide school shootings on December 17. At this time, the New Jersey Regional Operations and Intelligence Center is **unaware of any specific, credible threats to any New Jersey Schools.**

Law enforcement had been made aware of the videos that had surfaced and **it was determined that the social media post was generic. It does not specifically mention by name Elizabeth Public Schools, any of our individual schools, or any other schools or districts in New Jersey as a target of any potential violence.**

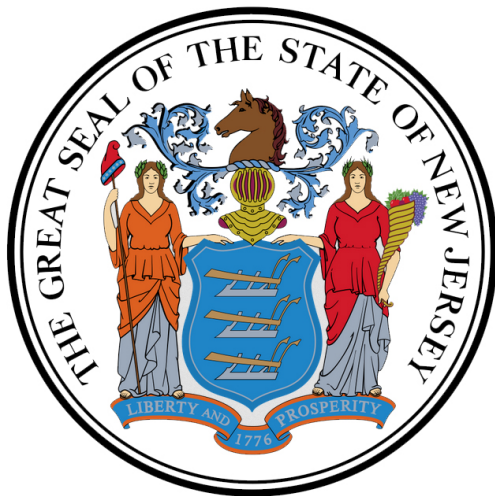
Please understand that we will continue to take all of these allegations seriously and, as a result, the Elizabeth Police Department will have an increased presence around our schools tomorrow.



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COVID-19 Guidance Information



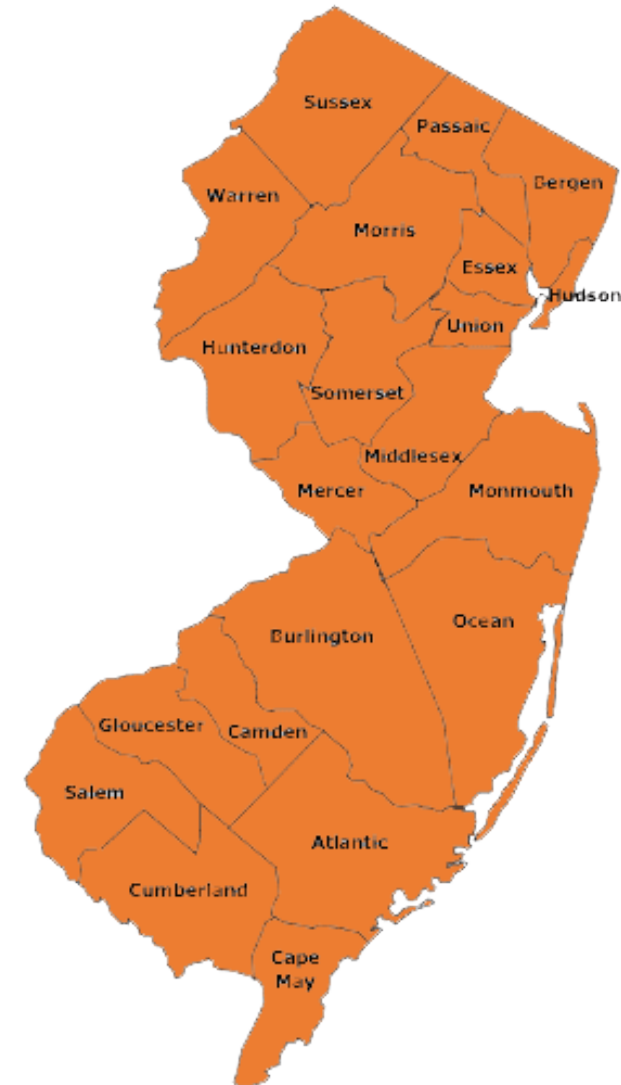
Staying Home When Sick/Exposed to COVID

Providing students and team members a safe learning environment is our top priority. Students and team members should stay home if they:

- Have tested positive (viral test) for COVID-19
- Have pending COVID-19 test results
- Are sick
- Are not fully vaccinated and have had close contact* with a person with COVID-19 in the past 14 days

COVID-19 Transmission Level – Union County

Union County, along with the remaining 20 counties in the State of New Jersey, has recently returned to the **ORANGE** designation on the state's COVID-19 transmission level map, which indicates there is a **High Risk** of COVID transmission.



Exclusions Criteria for Persons with COVID-19, COVID-19 Compatible Symptoms and Close Contacts

Union County is currently designated **ORANGE**, which indicates there is a **High Risk** of COVID transmission. Below are the exclusions based on being in an orange designated region

Exclusion Type	High Risk Exclusion Protocol
COVID-19 positive (viral test), symptomatic or asymptomatic	Exclude according to COVID-19 exclusion criteria Identify and exclude school-based contacts for <u>14 days</u> from last exposure and report to local health department.
COVID-19 – compatible symptoms but <u>not tested</u> for COVID-19	Exclude according to COVID-19 exclusion criteria
COVID-19 – compatible symptoms and Negative COVID-19 test (viral test) ¹	Exclude individual through 24 hours after their fever has ended without the use of fever reducing medications and other symptoms improve
Close contact of staff or student with COVID-19	Close contacts of a COVID-19 case who are not fully vaccinated should be excluded for <u>14 days</u> from date of last contact

¹ Symptomatic individuals with high likelihood of COVID-19 (for example, who are close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases) who test negative by rapid antigen test should undergo confirmatory testing with a molecular test (for example RT-PCR)

Exclusions From School

Parents should not send students to school when sick. For school settings the NJ Department of Health recommends that students with the following symptoms be promptly isolated from others and excluded from school:

- At least **two** of the following symptoms: fever (measure or subjective), chills, rigors (shivers), myalgia (muscle aches), headache, sore throat, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, congestion or runny nose; **OR**
- At least **one** of the following symptoms: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new olfactory disorder, new taste disorder

Exclusions From School

Tips for symptom checking

- Recognize your symptoms
- Visit a pediatrician/doctor if you believe your symptoms are illness related
- Get tested if you are experiencing symptoms related to COVID-19 and have suspicion you may have COVID
- Stay home while COVID test results are pending



Source: Mayo Clinic

SYMPTOM COMPARISON

	COVID-19	FLU	ALLERGIES
Cough	✓	✓	—
Fever	✓	✓	
Muscle aches	✓	✓	
Tiredness	✓	✓	—
Sneezing	Rare		✓
Sore throat	✓	✓	Rare
Runny/stuffy nose	✓	✓	✓
Nausea/vomiting	—	—	
Shortness of breath	✓	✓	
Diarrhea	—	—	
Loss of taste or smell	✓	Rare	—

— Sometimes ✓ Common

Exclusions From School – Close Contact

*A **close contact** is defined by the CDC as someone who was less than 6 feet away from infected person (laboratory-confirmed or a clinical diagnosis) for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period (for example, three individual 5-minute exposures for a total of 15 minutes).

- This definition **excludes students in K-12 classroom settings or structured outdoor settings where mask use can be observed** who were between 3 to 6 feet of an infected student (laboratory-confirmed or a clinical diagnosis) if both the infected student and the exposed student(s) correctly and consistently wore well-fitting masks the entire time.
- **This exception does not apply to teachers, staff, or other adults in the indoor classroom setting.**

Exclusions From School – Close Contact (cont.)

Close contact (cont.)

- Fully vaccinated persons who have close contact with someone with COVID-19 **do not need to be excluded** from school if they are asymptomatic but should be referred for testing 3-5 days after exposure.
- Individuals who **have been diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 90 days** who have close contact with someone with COVID-19 and are asymptomatic **do not** need to be excluded from school and **do not** need to be tested.

City of Elizabeth COVID Testing Information



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FREE COVID-19 SALIVA TESTING

DECEMBER HOURS

Wednesday 5:00pm-8:00pm

Saturday 10:00am-2:00pm

STEPHEN SAMPSON CENTER

800 ANNA STREET, ELIZABETH, NJ

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY YOU WILL REGISTER ON SITE USING YOUR
SMARTPHONE

NO EATING, DRINKING OR CHEWING GUM 30 MINUTES BEFORE ARRIVAL

for information call (908) 820-4731

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Thursday 3:00pm-7:00pm

ERXLEBEN RECREATION CENTER

513 RICHMOND ST


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NO COMER, BEBER NI MASTICAR CHICLE 30 MINUTOS ANTES DE LA LLEGADA


Para más información llámé al (908) 820-4731

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Erxleben Center
513 Richmond St.
Elizabeth, NJ

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PRUEBA DE SEGURO MEDICO Y PAGO SECUNDARIO

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UNION COUNTY *COVID-19*

TESTING • TRACKING • TRACING • VACCINATING



To make an appointment at any of Union County's free COVID-19 vaccination clinics, visit:

ucnj.org/covid19/vax.

Any Union County resident may use any of these clinics, regardless of their hometown.



Pfizer Vaccine (5 and Older) and Pfizer Booster

Union County Vaccination Clinic
Warinanco Ice Skating Center
1 Park Drive – Warinanco Park, Roselle

Open every Tuesday (effective December 21) and Thursday from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. except for major holidays. Pfizer boosters available. No Moderna or J & J vaccine offered at this site.



Moderna, Pfizer (12 and Older), and J&J vaccines

Union County Vaccination Clinic
Downs Hall – Kean University
1000 Morris Avenue, Union Township

Open every Wednesday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., except for major holidays. Boosters available but appointment strongly recommended due to high demand.



Moderna, Pfizer (5 and Older), and J&J vaccines

Union County Vaccination Clinic
Plainfield High School
950 Park Avenue, Plainfield

Open every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., except for major holidays.



*The following clinics currently offer the Pfizer vaccine for ages 12 and up, the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, and Moderna booster shots

***Union County Mobile Pop-Up Clinics**

Sunday, December 19

Plainfield – 11am to 1pm

U.C. Food Distribution Event at the Gerald B. Green Building
200 West Second Street

In order to accommodate the county's new vaccine schedule, Union County's mobile vaccination service will be temporarily suspended at the end of December



*Vaccines for Home Bound Residents

Union County residents who are home bound or have difficulty leaving their home can use a new toll-free number to make an appointment to receive a COVID-19 vaccination at home. The number to call is **1-833-256-2478**, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Residents can also call during off-hours to leave a voice message requesting a callback. Messages are returned on the following business day.

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Free COVID Testing Sites

Union County also provides free COVID-19 tests at:

Kean University
1000 Morris Avenue
Union Township

Gerald B. Green Building
200 West Second Street
Plainfield

For more information visit:

ucnj.org/covid19/covid-19-testing-options



MONSIGNOR JOÃO S. ANTÃO
SCHOOL NO. 31

The image shows the upper portion of a school building. The left side has a light-colored concrete facade with the school's name in raised letters. A red horizontal band runs below the name. To the right, a brick section of the building is visible, featuring several windows.

School 26 and 27 Remediation Update



DR. ANTONIA PANTOJA
SCHOOL NO. 27

The image shows the corner of a school building with a red brick facade. The school's name is mounted in large, raised, dark-colored letters. A white decorative molding runs along the top edge of the brickwork.

School 26 and 27 Remediation Update

Dr. Orlando Edreira Academy School No. 26 @ 31

Monday, January 3: Return of all staff to the building

Thursday, January 6: Return of Grade 6-8 students

Friday, January 7: Return of Grade 3-5 students

Monday, January 10: Return of Grade PK-2 students

School 26 and 27 Remediation Update

Dr. Antonia Pantoja School No. 27

Monday, January 3: Return of all students and staff

On behalf of the Elizabeth Public Schools Community...

Happy Holidays!





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