

# Guidance for Updated COVID-19 School Mitigation Plans for Academic Year 2022-23

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Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) and PolicyLab's guidance for school year 2022-23 is intended to help leaders of K-12 schools and early care and education settings build their COVID-19 mitigation plans within the context of variable local health department requirements in different communities. These recommendations encourage a less stringent approach to school-based COVID-19 mitigation, recognizing that widespread population immunity against severe disease supports optimizing in-person classroom time and participation in extracurricular activities, and for our early childhood settings, minimizing attendance disruptions that were so prevalent over the last couple of years.

This updated guidance replaces previous CHOP and PolicyLab guidance for <u>in-person K-12 schooling</u> and <u>managing COVID-19</u> and other seasonal viruses for early care and education settings and families of children under 5 years old published in January 2022.

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