



Weekly Update
August 27, 2021

MBS Parents,

We have come to the conclusion of another great week at Mountain Brook Schools. We can't believe August is drawing to a close already! Many students have taken their first test or read a new book by now and in-person learning remains our priority for your children.

As it pertains to student health and safety, we are continuing to see minimal student-to-student transmission of COVID in our school buildings. Our voluntary, self-reported COVID numbers are a snapshot of the number of cases we are seeing in our system. We urge families to talk with their children about safe practices to mitigate the spread of COVID while not at school. We also encourage families to contact their school nurses to report any positive cases or new symptoms.

The Alabama Department of Education will begin reporting new COVID case numbers on a weekly basis beginning Sept. 10th. This dashboard can be [accessed here](#). We will continue our regular Friday communication that will include the weekly snapshot of COVID cases being monitored by our district. We will also communicate any urgent information with you as needed.

Self-Reported COVID Numbers (*will be reported if case numbers >20)

# of positive cases currently being monitored by MBS	Individuals who are currently designated as close contacts (by the 3 foot, 15 minute criteria from ADPH)	Close contact individuals who have been able to return to school due to full vaccination status (and not displaying symptoms)
48	91	5 of 91

Notification

- School nurses should be made aware of any possible symptoms and/or positive cases
- A school nurse will be on-call every weekend and cases/symptoms can be reported by texting or calling 205-703-1298
- Please see our 2021-22 Reopening Plan for more information regarding screening, testing, school exclusion, and more

General Safety Reminders

- Use the [MBS Symptom Tracker](#) to help make decisions regarding school attendance should your child feel unwell
- If your child is exhibiting ANY of these symptoms, they should not attend school!
- Facial coverings are required indoors at all MBS facilities until further notice
- Maintain personal hygiene (wash hands for 20 seconds with soap and water, use hand sanitizer frequently)
- Remember to distance and avoid large crowds
- Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell

COVID SYMPTOMS

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea

MBS Good News

MBHS student, Jane Grey Battle, has been named a member of the 2021-22 USA Debate Team	A total of 82 new teachers and staff members are joining the MBS family this school year.
MBHS cheerleaders conquered the "Mud Factor 5k Obstacle Run" last weekend. Photo gallery.	2021 Homecoming t-shirts are available to purchase online. Shirts are \$15 each and go to support MBHS SGA. T-shirt sales end Friday, September 3 at noon.