

Thetford Academy's Decision-Making Framework for Covid Protocols, March-June 2022

The following metrics will provide key inputs for decision making regarding Covid protocols during this next phase of the pandemic. Policies are subject to change as conditions evolve (improve or worsen). We will continue to follow guidance from the Vermont Department of Health and participate weekly in public health updates from VDH.

| Primary Metrics: | Status: Monday 2/28/22 | Status: Friday 3/4/22 | Status - [date] |
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| 1. AOE Guidance (LINK) | Relaxes mask recommendation for schools at/above 80% vaccination rate starting 2/28/22 | Lifting all Covid guidance for schools March 14; AOE memo sent to schools Thur 3/3, 3:40pm | |
| 2. TA Student Vaccination Rate | Student vaccination rate: 86% | Same: 86% | |
| 3. CDC's COVID-19 Community Level Rating (LINK) | Orange County: High Grafton County: High Windsor County: Medium | Orange Co. (VT): Medium Grafton Co. (NH): Medium Windsor Co. (VT): Medium | |
| <i>Additional metrics we are monitoring:</i> | | | |
| • <i>Town of Thetford Mask Regulation</i> | Extended through March 22; to be revisited March 21 | Newly elected selectboard moved up review date to March 7 | |
| • <i>TA New Case Count</i> | 2 cases over break reported on 2/28 | No additional cases reported since 2/28; PCR testing on 3/1 100% negative | |
| • <i>OESU Mask Regulations</i> | Still in development phase; schools not yet at 80% threshold | Moving to mask optional 3/7 in all schools; announced Thur 3/3, 5:30pm | |
| TA Covid Protocol Decisions | Maintain masks, begin relaxing other Covid protocols; LINK to community message | Identify March 14 as date to shift to mask optional at TA; LINK to community message | |