

Due to an increase in cases in our community and in response to recent guidelines issued by the Department of Education, Excel Academy will open with a fully remote learning model.

September 14: First day for Middle School students

September 15: First day for High School students

In response to this change, Excel Academy has developed a phased approach to reopening our schools this fall. We are starting in Phase 0.

DESE guidance for selecting a learning model -- Color-coded metric from DPH/COVID-19 Command

New color-coded metric*	DESE expectation for learning model
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;">RED</div> <p>Average daily cases per 100,000 is greater than 8</p> </div>	<p>Remote</p>
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: yellow; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;">YELLOW</div> <p>Average daily cases per 100,000 is between 4 - 8</p> </div>	
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="background-color: green; color: white; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;">GREEN</div> <p>Average daily cases per 100,000 is less than 4</p> </div>	<p>Hybrid OR Remote (if extenuating circumstances)</p>
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;">UNSHADE D</div> <p>Fewer than 5 total cases over the past 14 days. Generally, this is for communities with small populations and very few cases.</p> </div>	

*Measured as a 14-day rolling average and will be reported weekly as part of the online DPH dashboard

Excel Academy Middle and High Schools will begin the year in a Remote Learning Model

Chelsea



RED

Boston*



YELLOW

*transmission rates in East Boston are considerably higher than in other parts of the city

- We will take a phased approach to bringing students and staff back to campus over the course of the year – starting in Phase 0
- Phase 0 = Fully-Remote
 - Students may have **outdoor** appointments, individually or in a small group, with physical distancing and masks.

Overview of Excel’s Phased Approach to Reopening Schools

<p>Fully Remote</p>	<p>Phase 0</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RED DESE color-coded metric • All Remote learning • All instruction delivered remotely
<p>Remote + Plus</p>	<p>Phase 1</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YELLOW DESE color-coded metric • Some students may attend in-person with additional safety protocols in place • Majority of students will continue with remote learning • A limited number of students may have the opportunity to access in-person supports on campus - - including first our highest needs students
	<p>Phase 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YELLOW/GREEN DESE color-coded metric • More students may attend in-person with additional safety protocols in place • Increase the number of students who have access to receive in-person supports on campus