



# Bristol Tennessee City Schools

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## COVID-19 COMMUNICATION

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As we approach the beginning of the school year, the three school districts in Sullivan County are working even more closely with each other and the Sullivan County Health Department to monitor the health conditions of our community and develop the best plans possible for our students, staff, and families. Each Thursday, our team will meet to review the data related to COVID-19 and make a determination for the following week based on public health recommendations. Each Friday, we will announce the threshold level (Green, Yellow, or Red) that we will use operationally for the next week.

You can find more information about the threshold levels on pages 14-15 of the [Framework for Opening the 2020-21 School Year: Sullivan County Plan](#). There are multiple considerations outlined in this document which will be used to determine community risk. Please review those pages in their entirety for a better understanding of the process.

For example, if we were making a determination regarding school operations for the coming week, our threshold level is Red. In order to help families with planning as we kick-off the school year, we will make a determination regarding the threshold level for the opening of school and communicate that information no later than Wednesday, July 29.

We understand parents have many concerns and questions. Please know that we are working hard to address those, and that the health and safety of our students and staff are and will remain our top priority. As with all things since the beginning of this pandemic, the situation changes and evolves frequently. We seek to communicate changes and new information to you as quickly as possible. Thank you for your continued support and patience as we embark on the 2020-21 school year!