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LIVE TWEETING: School Board Emergency Meeting 11/10/20



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Nov. 9 one-day totals:

219 students in quarantine, 9 positive cases

Average # of students in quarantine during the month of October: 217 per WEEK, 8 positive per WEEK



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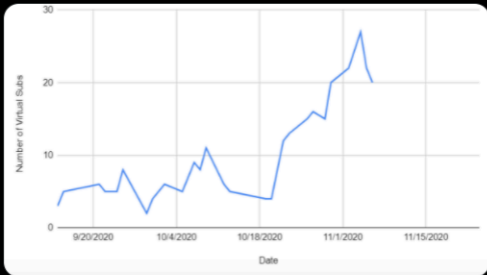
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EHS virtual substitutes show dramatic increase over the past 14 days



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School board cites upward trend in addition to the 32.5 Edina cases per 10,000 as rationale for bringing forth a contingency plan

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EHS, Valley View/South View, Countryside, and Highlands principals all express difficulty with staff shortages due to quarantines and positive cases

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"These [protective systems] we have built to keep our students safe are starting to unpeel, they're getting to the point where we can't guarantee a safe learning environment for our students," Board Member Erica Allenburg says.



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Meeting agenda for board meeting linked below:

[edinaschools.org/cms/lib/MN0190...](https://edinaschools.org/cms/lib/MN0190...)



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Staff quarantine numbers distributed evenly across elementary schools in addition to the secondary schools, administration says. Staffing issues around the district said to be unsustainable for the hybrid model.



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"At Highlands, we're a case or two away from having to close the entire school," Highlands Elementary Principal Kathryn Mahoney said.



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Discussion ensues on how to go forward with athletics and how it relates to community spread.



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Funding allocated to EPS from the CARES Act has mostly been drained by first semester operations, bringing into question how second semester operations may be fueled



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Debate on in-person instruction for K-2 students dominates discussion, with feasibility of safety protocols and staffing measures being concerns



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The continuation of elementary school hybrid will be addressed and further discussed on Thursday, board says



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Activities Director Troy Stein speaks in favor of continuing high school athletics, stating that EHS has the opportunity to control the safety of the environment





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Edina High School may shift to full virtual learning on November 18th, with the potential to shift back to in-person in January, depending on infection rates.



## Replies



**Lauren Leamanczyk**  @LaurenKARE11 · Nov 10, 2020



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Thanks student journalists for live-tweeting! It's much appreciated.



**Steve Timmer** @stevetimmer · Nov 10, 2020



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A question that needs to be asked: if it's a pandemic emergency, why wait a week to act?





## Tweet



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!! FINAL DECISION: Grades 3-12 will be moving towards distance learning on 11/18, with K-2 discussion continuing this Thursday, 11/12. !! That's all for tonight, stay safe and healthy Edina! (Thank a teacher/EPS faculty member today).



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## Replies



**Donna Roper** @donnaroper5 · Nov 10, 2020



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Nice work keeping all informed!



**Erica Allenburg** @EAllenburg · Nov 10, 2020



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Nice work, @EdinaZephyrus!



**Belle** @PeaceBelle73 · Nov 10, 2020



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Great job live tweeting the school board meeting!

