

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Use Chart

The following has been developed to assist Maine school staff in determining their needs for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). This chart is not intended to be an inflexible one; some unique situations may require nursing or other clinical judgement. Cloth face covering for everyone are included in this chart for clarity.

Video Demonstrations for Use of these Items

How to Wear a Cloth Face Covering: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dy9TzRwVWoA>

How to Safely Put on (don) PPE: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H4jQUBAIBrI>

How to Safely Remove (doff) PPE: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PQxOc13DxvQ&t=15s>

Personal Protective Equipment	N95 Mask	Face Coverings (cloth mask, disposable mask)	Disposable (medical) Mask	Face Shield	Disposable Gloves	Gowns/ Coveralls/ Other Body Covering
For all persons aged five and up in schools, except when eating, during a “mask break”, or other time when physical distancing of at least 6 feet can be maintained and preferably outdoors.		X				
For staff providing personal care to students who may potentially be exposed to bodily fluids (gloves) or transportation assistance buckling/unbuckling or performing wheelchair safety services.			X	X	X (if necessary due to bodily fluids)	
Providing hand over hand instruction, serving as a bus monitor and/or unable to maintain 6 foot distancing. Providing OT and PT or where physical proximity is required.			X	X		
For staff performing or present during aerosol generating procedures such as nebulizer treatments, chest PT, suctioning, trach care.	X			X	X	X
For staff performing emergency restraint or seclusion.			X	X	X	
For staff caring for a student identified at school with COVID-19 symptoms.	X		X (if N95 not available)	X	X	X

Resources

National Association of School Nurses and National Association of State School Nurse Consultants. *Guidance for Healthcare Personnel on the Use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in Schools During COVID-19*. Accessed from: <https://higherlogicdownload.s3.amazonaws.com/NASN/3870c72d-fff9-4ed7-833f-215de278d256/UploadedImages/PDFs/Guidance-for-Healthcare-Personnel-on-PPE-Use-in-Schools.pdf>

U.S. CDC. *Optimize PPE Supply* <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/ppe-strategy/index.html>