

On March 14, New York City's Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) will no longer initiate an epidemiological assessment when there are multiple cases of COVID-19 in a classroom or pod in a school. As such, schools should distribute test kits to all [members of the impacted classes](#) (see section on Multiple Case Assessment) and should work with their superintendents and BCO staff to mitigate opportunities for transmission. Schools will no longer be required to notify families in these instances. DOHMH medical epidemiologists will be available to consult and investigate, as requested by the DOE and through the Situation Room.

Note that the [assessment for transmission](#) has not been changed but may be reevaluated as the pandemic changes.

For more information, review existing guidance on the [Situation Room Infohub](#) page. For questions, email RTS@buildings.nyc.gov or call (212) 393-2780.

Charter schools in private space should continue to follow the process outlined in a subsequent entry.

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