

Coalition Communication: PreK-12 Education



COVID-19 UPDATES

When can I get my COVID-19 vaccine? Ohioans eligible:

- ✓ Age 65+
 - ✓ Those with severe congenital AND developmental disorders.
 - ✓ Employees of K-12 schools that wish to remain or return to in-person or hybrid models
- 🕒 Feb. 15 - [Ohioans born with or who have early childhood conditions that are carried into adulthood](#), which put them at a higher risk for adverse outcomes due to COVID-19, may choose to receive the vaccine at the provider of their choice, but will be asked by their vaccine provider to confirm that they are, in fact, eligible at this time. Find a provider near you at <https://vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov>

Curfew Lifted

Following a sustained decrease in COVID-19 hospitalizations statewide, the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) has lifted Ohio's curfew. ODH will continue to monitor hospitalization numbers and could reinstate the curfew if hospitalizations begin to rise.

EDUCATION INFORMATION

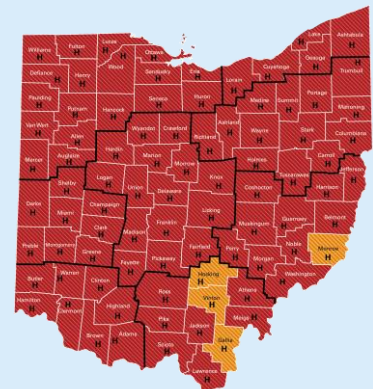
- 390 Ohio school districts are operating with 5-day in-person return to classes.
- 41 Ohio school districts are operating with a fully remote return to learning.
- 178 Ohio school districts are operating with a hybrid of in-person and remote return to learning.

**Many schools are holding in-person classes while offering an online option for those who prefer that route or who require it for health reasons. Data compiled 02/03/21. Information is subject to frequent change and does not represent an official categorization by the Ohio Department of Education.*

KEY STATS

Data as of 2/11/2021

PUBLIC ADVISORY SYSTEM



21-DAY TRENDS

Case Average	3,892
Death Average	98
Hospitalization Average	188
ICU Admission Average	21

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SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

Our road back is just beginning, and our school community needs your help. Please continue to social distance and wear a mask until we're all protected and back to the way we remember. #InThisTogetherOhio <https://youtu.be/yLlyeq7juls>

Handwashing or sanitizing before and after taking off our masks is an important step in safely handling them. The Ohio Department of Health offers this video with tips for children. #MasksOnOhio

[Link to download and embed video: http://progressive.powerstream.net/008/00153/Child_Mask.mp4]

Does a member of your household need a #COVID19 test? Visit <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/dashboards/other-resources/testing-ch-centers> for an interactive map with testing locations across the state. #StaySafeOhio #InThisTogetherOhio

TALKING POINTS FOR YOU

- It is the goal in Ohio to provide all eligible school employees who would like to receive the vaccine with an opportunity to do so by March 1st. Like other group eligible in Phase 1B of Ohio's vaccination program, this will be a rolling process.
- Staff members should continue to look for information about the vaccination process from school district leadership and should not contact local pharmacy providers, hospitals or their health department to schedule a vaccination on their own.
- Trust the facts: the COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective. COVID-19 vaccines currently available in the U.S. were rigorously tested and do not give you COVID-19 or cause a positive COVID-19 test.
- Ohio's curfew has been lifted, but we must continue to follow safety protocols to slow the spread and prevent hospitalizations from going up. If hospitalizations begin to rise again, the Ohio Department of Health may reinstate it

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- ✓ Set a good example, by wearing a mask, making virtual accommodations and maintaining social distance when meeting face-to-face with others.
- ✓ Post on social media to describe how you are working to keep staff and students safe (and what they can do to help you maintain a safe environment) using the suggested hashtags.
- ✓ Submit letters to the editor or local news outlets that support the "COVID-19 Key Messages;" wear a mask, wash hands often and social distance.

RESOURCES

HASHTAGS TO USE

#InThisTogetherOhio
#ResponsibleRestartOhio
#MasksOnOhio
#StaySafeOhio

LATEST UPDATES

[COVID-19 Vaccination Program](#)
[Public Health Orders](#)
[News Releases](#)

VIDEOS

[Limit Your Risk](#)
[Don and Doff Mask Procedure \(Child\)](#)
[Don and Doff Mask Procedure \(Adolescent\)](#)
[Remember When The Road Back](#)

RESOURCES

[Ohio Department of Health: COVID-19 Health and Prevention Guidance for Ohio K-12 Schools](#)
[COVID-19 Fact Sheet Ohio K12 School Staff Vaccination Program](#)
[K-12 School Staff Vaccination Program Information](#)
[COVID Vaccine Myths vs. Facts](#)

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