

Coalition Communication: PreK-12 Education



COVID-19 UPDATES

K-12 Vaccinations

Beginning the week of Feb. 1, K-12 school employees who are necessary to the operation of in-person instruction for students (teachers, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, environmental services, etc.) will be eligible for vaccination. Schools districts have already or will designate a partner who will administer vaccinations to their staff. This process is being directed locally by educational service centers (ESCs). These partnerships will be honored by the state so long as all provider enrollment requirements are met, and the Ohio Department of Health guidance is followed. Partner providers and school districts, through the ESCs, will:

- Be notified of the designation and receive information about a school/district's designated week for first doses.
- Be required to complete a survey of the expected number of recipients at each school district and be given a deadline for submitting that information. **NOTE: This step is critical. Vaccine is scarce and vaccine should not sit on the shelf or go unused after allocation.**
- Receive an allocation from the state for the designated week(s).

Vaccination Schedule for Ohio Schools

- [Week 1 \(Feb 1\)](#)
- [Week 2 \(Feb 8\)](#)
- [Week 3 \(Feb 15\)](#)
- [Week 4 \(Feb 22\)](#)

EDUCATION INFORMATION

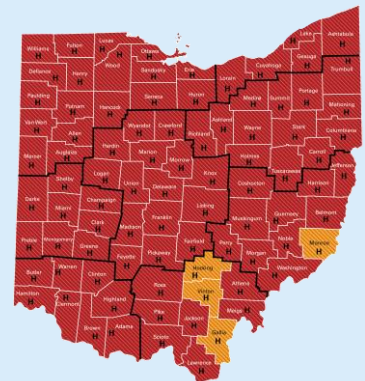
- 390 Ohio school districts are operating with 5-day in-person return to classes.
- 41 Ohio school districts are operating with a fully remote return to learning.
- 178 Ohio school districts are operating with a hybrid of in-person and remote return to learning.

**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 2/4/2021

PUBLIC ADVISORY SYSTEM



21-DAY TRENDS

Case Average	4,931
Death Average	72
Hospitalization Average	220
ICU Admission Average	24

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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 groups 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.
- Ohio's curfew was extended because COVID-19 hospitalizations continue to drop. If we keep taking proper health and safety precautions, we can extend the curfew to midnight or even eliminate it completely.

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.
- ✓ Participate in local media/radio interviews to support "COVID-19 Key Messages," and help showcase how you and your colleagues are supporting Ohio's Responsible Restart.

RESOURCES

HASHTAGS TO USE

#InThisTogetherOhio
#ResponsibleRestartOhio
#MasksOnOhio
#StaySafeOhio

LATEST UPDATES

- [COVID-19 Vaccination Program](#)
- [Public Health Orders](#)
- [News Releases](#)
- [Average Weekly Vaccinations](#) NEW

VIDEOS

- [Limit Your Risk](#) NEW
- [Don and Doff Mask Procedure \(Child\)](#)
- [Don and Doff Mask Procedure \(Adolescent\)](#)

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](#)
- [Schools Included In Week 1 Vaccine Distribution](#)
- [COVID Vaccine Myths vs. Facts](#) NEW

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