

# Coalition Communication: PreK-12 Education



## COVID-19 UPDATES

### Stay Safe Ohio protocols announced, curfew extended

Governor DeWine announced the Ohio Department of Health's "Stay Safe Ohio" protocols for the next 21 days:

1. STAY AT HOME.
2. Wear your mask.
3. Keep interactions short and stay apart.
4. Wash your hands.
5. Work from home.
6. Celebrate safe. Celebrate small.
7. Don't eat or drink with anyone outside of your household.
8. Limit travel.
9. Keep weddings and funerals safe.
10. Enjoy safe holiday activities!

In addition, the statewide curfew from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., with exceptions, was extended through Jan. 23, 2021.

## EDUCATION INFORMATION

- 239 Ohio school districts are operating with 5-day in-person return to classes.
- 219 Ohio school districts are operating with a fully remote return to learning.
- 149 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 01/07/21. Information is subject to frequent change and does not represent an official categorization by the Ohio Department of Education.*

## KEY STATS

Data as of 1/7/2021

### PUBLIC ADVISORY SYSTEM



### 21-DAY TRENDS

Case Average	7,471
Death Average	75
Hospitalization Average	320
ICU Admission Average	34

## WE WANT TO HELP YOU!

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## SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

Do you need technical assistance in getting your home WiFi set up? @OHConnectChamps are here to help! RemotEDx Connectivity Champions help to get students connected to the internet from home. Learn about their FREE services: <https://remotedx.infohio.org/connectivity> #InThisTogetherOhio

Our school community is excited for a new year! We know our students and families continue to have questions about the pandemic. Visit [Talking to Kids: COVID-19 Checklist](#) for tips about talking to children about #COVID19. #InThisTogetherOhio

2021 is underway with new learning discoveries on the horizon! Let's continue to practice healthy habits, limit gatherings and do our part to slow the spread of #COVID19. #StaySafeOhio #InThisTogetherOhio

## TALKING POINTS FOR YOU

- The COVID vaccine is now available. However, it remains in short supply not only in Ohio, but across the country. It will take a number of weeks to distribute all of the vaccine given the limited doses available.
- Until a substantial number of Ohioans can be vaccinated, proper prevention, like wearing masks and social distancing, will reduce your risk of being exposed to or spreading.
- An online tool will launch next week for Ohioans to see who is distributing vaccines in their counties and to what eligible group. Please visit: [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov)
- Vaccination is a personal decision. Ohioans should be aware that, due to vaccine shortages, anyone who declines the vaccine at their first opportunity may not have another chance to receive it for some time.

## 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](#)

### VIDEOS

[COVID-19 is Unpredictable](#)   
[Don and Doff Mask Procedure \(Child\)](#)  
[Don and Doff Mask Procedure \(Adolescent\)](#)  
[Grit \(Clark Kellogg PSA\)](#)

### RESOURCES

[Ohio Department of Health: COVID-19 Health and Prevention Guidance for Ohio K-12 Schools](#)

[Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services: Campaigns and Digital Toolkits](#)

[Get Help Now | Wellness Resources](#)

[Talking to Kids: COVID-19 Checklist](#)

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