

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

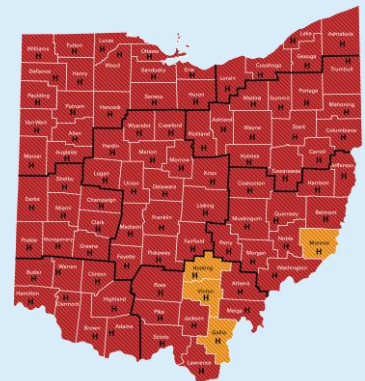
- 376 Ohio school districts are operating with 5-day in-person return to classes.
- 50 Ohio school districts are operating with a fully remote return to learning.
- 183 Ohio school districts are operating with a hybrid of in-person and remote return to learning.

**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 01/27/21. Information is subject to frequent change and does not represent an official categorization by the Ohio Department of Education.*

KEY STATS

Data as of 1/28/2021

PUBLIC ADVISORY SYSTEM



21-DAY TRENDS

Case Average	6,221
Death Average	74
Hospitalization Average	253
ICU Admission Average	26

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SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

We know our families have questions about the #COVID19 vaccine. Visit <http://coronavirus.ohio.gov/vaccine> for answers to frequently asked questions, myths vs. facts and details about Ohio's phased approach for safe and effective vaccine distribution. #StaySafeOhio [Suggested art: https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/vaccine/phased_approach_ohio.jpg]

Our district is focusing on mental wellness for everyone in our schools. It's important for families to concentrate on mental health at home. @OHEducation posted helpful resources and tips in this Student and Staff Well-Being Toolkit: <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Reset-and-Restart-Student-and-Staff-Well-Being-Toolkit> #InThisTogetherOhio

We wear our masks to protect each other. Let's continue to practice healthy habits, limit gatherings and do our part to slow the spread of #COVID19. #MasksOnOhio #InThisTogetherOhio [Suggested art: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/responsible/signs/facemask-graphic-2.jpg>]

TALKING POINTS FOR YOU

- Next week, Ohio will make vaccine available to 91,000 K-12 teachers and school personnel who are necessary to provide in-person education to students. Like other groups eligible in Phase 1B of Ohio's vaccination program, this will be a rolling process. Due to the scarcity of vaccine, the process will take weeks, but Ohio's goal is to have all first doses administered by the end of February.
- If we use all the tools we have, we stand the best chance of getting our families, communities and schools back to "normal" sooner. Get vaccinated, wash your hands, wear your mask, stay six feet away from others and avoid crowds.
- Ohio's curfew was extended one hour this week because COVID-19 hospitalizations have remained below 3,500 for seven consecutive days. If we continue 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](#)

VIDEOS

- [Limit Your Risk](#) 
- [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](#) 

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