

Coalition Communication: **PreK-12 Education** 

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# **COVID-19 UPDATES**

We need your help in sharing information about the COVID-19 vaccine. Vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov is an online resource for Ohioans to learn which providers received a COVID-19 vaccine allotment and how to contact them. If you or someone you know is eligible to receive a vaccine in Phase 1B, they should use this tool.

Tentative dates to start vaccinating these Phase 1B populations are:

- Jan. 19, 2021—Ohioans 80 years of age and older.
- Jan. 25, 2021—Ohioans 75 years of age and older; those with severe congenital or developmental disorders.
- Feb. 1, 2021—Ohioans 70 years of age and older; employees of K-12 schools that wish to remain or return to in-person or hybrid learning.
- Feb. 8, 2021—Ohioans 65 years of age and older.

More information can be found at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

### **EDUCATION INFORMATION**

- 350 Ohio school districts are operating with 5-day in-person return to classes.
- 92 Ohio school districts are operating with a fully remote return to learning.
- 167 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 01/11/21. Information is subject to frequent change and does not represent an official categorization by the Ohio Department of Education.

### **KEY STATS**

Data as of 1/21/2021

# PUBLIC ADVISORY SYSTEM



### **21-DAY TRENDS**

Case Average	7,111
Death Average	74
Hospitalization Average	285
ICU Admission Average	28

### WE WANT TO HELP YOU!



### SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

Everyone plays an important role to slow the spread of #COVID19. Our district appreciates your family's continued commitment to staying safe. Thank you. #InThisTogetherOhio #StaySafeOhio

What's a safe way to keep your mask available while you eat or drink? The Ohio Department of Health offers this video with tips for children: http://progressive.powerstream.net/008/00153/Child Mask.mp4 #MasksOnOhio

Safe. Effective. Rigorously tested. The #COVID19 vaccine is beginning to roll out for older Ohioans. While it will take time before it is available for everyone, it's the best way to protect our health and help Ohio recover. #InThisTogetherOhio https://youtu.be/p0-MgPCQFhk

### TALKING POINTS FOR YOU

- Governor DeWine announced that vaccinations will be available for personnel in Ohio schools starting the week of Feb. 1. To date, 96% of districts and schools have signaled their commitment to re-opening using an in-person or hybrid model by March 1, in order to receive vaccines for their employees during Phase 1B.
- 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.
- It's critical that we all continue to properly protect ourselves from COVID-19. It continues to spread throughout all communities in Ohio. We need to continue to wear our masks, social distance, wash our hands, and limit our travel and interactions with those outside of our households.
- If you or someone you know is feeling the stress of the pandemic, they can call the Ohio CareLine, 1-800-720-9616 for free, confidential emotional support. Remember that mental health is just as important as physical health. Help is available 24 hours a day, 7 days/week.

# **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**

Remember When



COVID-19 is Unpredictable

Don and Doff Mask Procedure (Child)

Don and Doff Mask Procedure (Adolescent)

Grit (Clark Kellogg PSA)

### RESOURCES

ODH: COVID-19 Health and Prevention Guidance for Ohio K-12 Schools K12 School Staff

**Vaccination Program** 

COVID Vaccine Myths vs. **Facts** 

Frequently Asked Questions

Phase 1B Graphic

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If we can help you assemble materials or if you have suggestions for the Ohio Department of Education team, please contact Mandy Minick at 614-816-4451 or by emailing Mandy.Minick@education.ohio.gov