

Bellaire Public Schools COVID-19 Dashboard

To protect the health of our School Community and per the Emergency Order issued by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services [Reporting of Confirmed and Probable Cases of COVID-19 at Schools](#) on October 6, 2020, the Bellaire Public Schools will use this webpage to provide Public Notice to our School Community regarding School Associated Cases of COVID-19. Within 24 hours of being notified of a School Associated Case by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, this dashboard will be updated to include new and cumulative COVID-19 case counts. Individuals identified as Close Contacts of School Associated Cases will be notified separately and directly by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan.

Updated: 8:00 a.m., Friday, January 15, 2021

STATUS OF INSTRUCTION AND SCHOOL-SPONSORED FUNCTIONS

- **Instruction:** Instruction is presently remote learning only for Kindergarten through 12th grade
- **School-Sponsored Functions:** All school events are cancelled until further notice.

SCHOOL ASSOCIATED COVID-19 CASES

On Wednesday, January 6, 2021, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan provided notice of three new school associated cases of COVID-19. The Health Department of Northwest Michigan made us aware of the following case counts of School Associated Cases of COVID-19 amongst the Bellaire Public School Community. This data may include probable and confirmed cases, as reported by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan, among students, staff, administration, coaches, or visitors, if the person with COVID-19 was in the building or participating in a school-sponsored function during their infectious period.

New Cases (Since Last Update)	3
Cumulative Cases (Since Reporting Began)	5
Populations Affected	Both students and staff

As a precaution, we will be disinfecting applicable areas of the school. This may include spraying classrooms, hallways, locker rooms, and common areas, as needed, with a sanitizer, along with other methods of disinfection.

ACTIONS YOU CAN TAKE

We recommend taking action to help limit the spread of COVID-19, even if staff members or students are not experiencing symptoms:

- **Wear a mask** (covering mouth and nose) when around people with whom you do not live.
- **Practice social distancing** (maintaining a distance of 6 feet apart).
- **Practice frequent handwashing** (using soap for 20 seconds or hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol).
- **Follow capacity restrictions** of social gatherings.

- **Cover coughs and sneezes** with a tissue or with the inside of your elbow and immediately wash your hands.
- **Stay home if you are sick**; you can also get tested.
- **Answer the phone if the health department contacts you**, as a contact tracer may be trying to reach you with important information.

This information does not mean you should quarantine or isolate. Those members of the School Community who were or are suspected to have been in Close Contact with a School Associated Case will be notified by the Health Department of Northwest Michigan and/or the Bellaire Public Schools.

Thank you for understanding that, due to medical privacy laws, **we are not able to release the names of the individuals with COVID-19**. We will continue to communicate changes and updates with you. With your participation, we believe we can maintain a safe environment while also providing quality education.

If you have any questions, contact the [Health Department of Northwest Michigan](#) at (800) 432-4121.

For answers to your COVID-19 questions, please call the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services COVID-19 Hotline at (888) 535-6136 or visit Michigan.gov/Coronavirus.