



March 12, 2021

Dear Dexter Community Schools Families and Staff,

After a uniquely long and difficult winter, I imagine we are all eager for springtime in Michigan. Warmer weather and longer days are coming, and we continue to see a steady decline of COVID-19 cases locally and nationally, which is promising. As restrictions in Michigan and other states begin to relax, we are asking all our Dexter Community Schools Families and Staff to continue taking precautions that help minimize the spread of COVID-19. **The health and safety of our school community depends on each of us doing our part.**

With spring break in just a few short weeks, I would like to take a moment to highlight the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) recommendations for domestic and international travel. **At this time, the CDC does not recommend traveling, and we ask that you please carefully consider your travel plans and follow guidance below even for those who have been vaccinated.** Travel increases the chance of getting and spreading COVID-19. Although we may feel well and not have any symptoms, we can still spread COVID-19 to family, friends, and others in the community during and after travel.

However, if you choose to travel, we ask that you [assess the risks of traveling](#) and follow [CDC guidelines and recommendations](#) in order to reduce the chance of spreading COVID-19. As you get closer to traveling, check the CDC's website for the most up-to-date information on testing and quarantining before and after travel:

- [When You Should Not Travel](#)
- [General Travel Information](#)
- [Domestic Travel](#)
- [International Travel](#)
 - [Travel Recommendations by Destination \(By Country\)](#)
 - [International Air Travel Expectations](#)
 - [International Air Travel Testing Requirements](#)
- [After You Travel](#)
- [Quarantine Guidance If You Are Fully Vaccinated](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) About Traveling](#)

Dexter Community Schools and the Washtenaw County Health Department will be following all CDC travel guidance and recommendations, and Dexter Community Schools expects everyone in our school community to do so as well. If you anticipate needing to quarantine after upcoming travel, please contact your building secretary or direct supervisor (for staff).

While we are all excited to return to some “normal” activities, we must remain cautious in order to prevent another surge of COVID-19 cases. Please continue masking up and social distancing. Monitor yourself for any symptoms and keep practicing healthy hygiene habits. If and when you are able, please consider getting adults in your household vaccinated.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we all work together to keep our community safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Christopher J. Timmis, EdD
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Dexter Community Schools

COVID-19: TESTING BEFORE TRAVEL

Get tested **no more than 3 days before** you travel.
Postpone travel if you are waiting for test results.
Watch for symptoms of COVID-19.

If you test **NEGATIVE**...

- Keep a copy of your test results with you during travel
- Take precautions to protect yourself and others from getting COVID-19

If you test **POSITIVE** or develop symptoms of COVID-19...

- Do NOT travel
- Immediately isolate yourself
- Follow public health recommendations

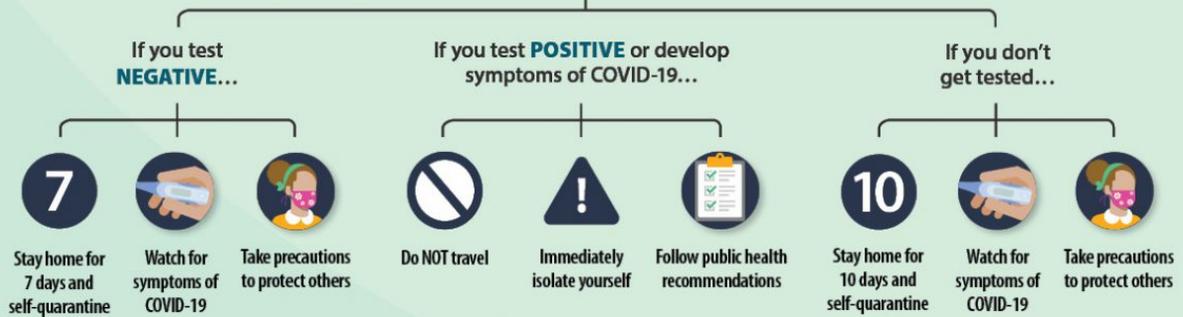
If you fly to the US from a foreign country, you **must** provide a negative COVID-19 test result or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 before boarding your flight.

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COVID-19: TESTING AFTER TRAVEL

Get tested **3-5 days after** you travel.



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