



DEXTER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

April 5 - No School

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Dear Dexter Community Schools Students, Parents, and Staff,

We hope everyone is safe and had a wonderful week. I'm contacting you today to share that Dexter Community Schools will be closed on Monday, April 5th and will not have classes for students at Anchor, Beacon, Wylie, Creekside, Mill Creek, or Dexter High School. The reason for the one-day closure is to allow us an opportunity to meet and better assess the best options for maintaining in-person instruction this week. Staff should watch their emails for a meeting with their building principals tomorrow morning.

When we left for break, there were districts who preemptively announced moving to remote for a week after the break. We were watching case rates and, while they were increasing, chose to wait and see. We were also concerned that, if we took the approach to move to remote for the week and announced it prior to break, families and students would adjust their spring break plans and we'd be exactly where we are today - only a week later.

Over the last week, Michigan's case rates, Washtenaw County's case rates, and our local case rates increased dramatically. Michigan has among and, depending on the day, the highest case rates in the country right now. Until early last week, Washtenaw County's rates remained fairly low. However, there have been dramatic increases in positive Covid-19 cases and it is most pronounced in 10-17 year olds and our local rates in Dexter for all ages has doubled in the past week.

We are asking families to give our team Monday to work on how to best provide as much in-person instruction as safely possible this week. Yesterday, the county health department held a drive through testing clinic, this evening we are conducting the rapid-testing for our student-athletes, and we have a pile of email regarding positive cases in the past couple of days to sort through. By morning, we will have solid data to inform our team's decisions. **We are not going to plan to move to a full remote environment at all grade levels for the week.**

We are simply asking for your patience with this one day delay so we can review the data, make adjustments to protect the safety of our students, make adjustments to protect the safety of our staff, and continue to provide in person education to our students as possible.

Please look for updated plans from the district mid-day tomorrow.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. Please tell your child to enjoy their "snow day" in April.

Take care and Go Dreads!

Sincerely,

Christopher Timmis, EdD

Superintendent

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Daily New Cases Per 100k Population

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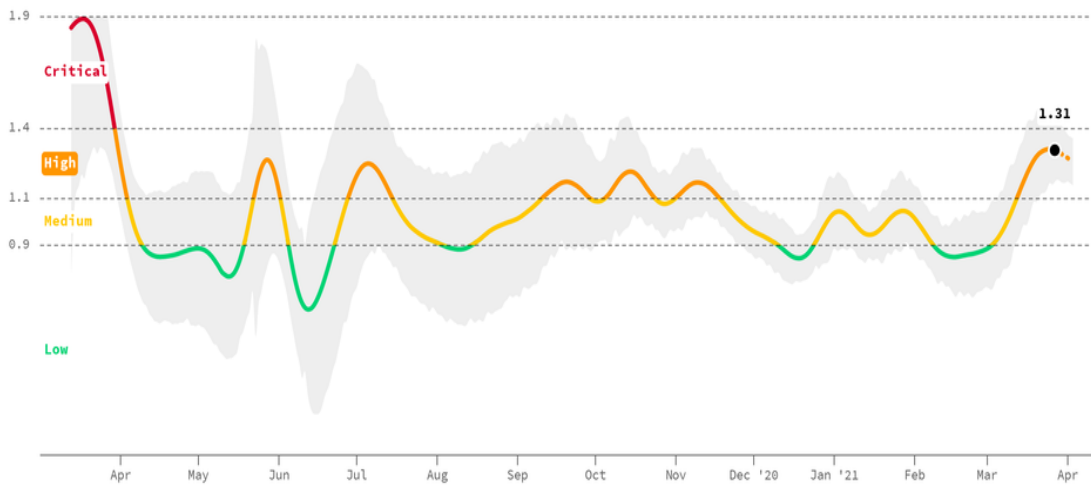
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