



COVID-19 UPDATES

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Below are items that can be used to help navigate the landscape of COVID-19 response and management.

CDC Guidelines:

[Read more here.](#)

If a person is sick with COVID-19:

- Isolation-current recommendations are for an infected individual to isolate for at least 5 days, at home, away from other members of the household. If you must be near other household members while in isolation, wear a mask for the first 5 days.
- Continue to wear a mask through day 10 from symptom onset or positive test.

Reporting Positive Tests or Outbreaks

- Click for information on [reporting positive test results from home test](#).
- Click for information on [reporting a facility outbreak](#).

Vaccination:

- A new COVID-19 vaccine is expected as early as mid-September to better match current variants.
- Public health encourages people to stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccination based upon the CDC Guidelines. Find their current recommendations [here](#).

From Ohio Department of Health

- Variant BA.2.86 has been detected in one case in Ohio (Lorain County). It is being monitored as it has a number of mutations that make it distinct from previous variants. [Read entire release.](#)

Before You Toss the Expired COVID-19 Test Kits...

- Check to see new expiration dates, they have been extended.
 - [BinaxNOW](#)
 - [Flowflex](#)
 - [FDA resource with additional manufacturers](#)

Free Test kits for K-12 Schools

- Fill out the [request form](#) to receive free test kits from the State of Ohio. (Links to a Survey Monkey form.)

Additional COVID-19 related questions can be emailed to: communicabledisease@schd.org.

[See our COVID-19 Dashboard for Local Data.](#)

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