

Wood County Emergency Management Agency

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Wood County EOC Situation Report COVID-19 Response October 2, 2020 County EOC Status: Virtually Activated State EOC: Activated

This report communicates County EOC activity over the past 24 hours
Dissemination: After Governor's Press Conference at 4pm
Information Cutoff Time: 330pm

Executive Summary:

Governor DeWine: Given the recent positive test of the President and First Lady, Governor DeWine today held a press conference saying that both he and Lt. Gov. Husted have undergone testing, however those results are not back yet. Neither DeWine nor Husted came within close proximity to the President while he was in Ohio earlier this week.

DeWine also discussed the significant increase in cases and deaths that Ohio has seen over the past 24 hours. Nearing 1,500 new cases in 24 hours, today's number reflect one of the largest single-day increases. DeWine encouraged Ohioans to continue wearing and mask and practicing social distancing.

Yesterday, the Governor signed House Bill 614 into law. The bill addresses the state's unemployment compensation program and also distributes \$650 million Coronavirus Relief Funds to local governments across the state. These funds will be distributed to counties, municipalities, and townships throughout Ohio.

Lt. Governor Husted- *Presidential debate*: Addressed reports of people attending not wearing masks and following procedures. The Lt. Governor reports that in order to get in to the debate hall you needed a negative test, temperature screened, and had to wear a mask. Cleveland Clinic did a great job creating a safe environment. There was at least 6 feet between chairs, people were respectful

Ohio Confirmed cases: 147797

Probable Cases: 9012

Total plus probable: 156809

Ohio Hospitalizations: 15688

ICU Admissions: 3312

Confirmed Deaths: 4597

Total Deaths: 4905

For daily state hospitalization data please visit: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/dashboards/key-metrics/hospitalizations/key-metrics-on-hospitalizations> scroll to the bottom, find the date you are looking for and hover your mouse over that bar.

Wood County Cases (total plus probable): 2068 (+66)

Wood County Hospitalizations: 156 (+1)

Wood County Deaths: 87 (+5)
Wood County Active Cases: 169 (+5)

County EOC Objectives:

1. Coordinate the county's response to limit spread of COVID-19; and maintain medical care.
2. Provide timely, clear, and consistent messaging to the public, stakeholders and media on the status of COVID-19 and actions the public can take to keep themselves safe.
3. Determine how county agencies will continue delivery of essential services to Wood County residents while following COVID-19 public health guidelines.
4. Prevent, identify, mitigate, and respond to COVID19 hotspots within the county.

EMA:

- It's Cybersecurity Awareness Month is here! This year's theme is **Do Your Part. #BeCyberSmart**, emphasizing the role everyone plays in protecting their online lives. If everyone does their part – implementing stronger security practices, raising community awareness, educating vulnerable audiences or training employees – our interconnected world will be safer and more resilient for everyone.

State EMA:

- OPEN Online Training - When community-based organizations such as food pantries, daycares & nonprofits are unable to sustain operations during an emergency or pandemic, people who rely on them are severely impacted. Organizations Preparing for Emergency Needs (OPEN) online training is designed to help community-based organizations and individuals to better prepare for incidents. OPEN uses 10 preparedness actions to develop disaster response plans. [#BeReady https://community.fema.gov/opentraining](https://community.fema.gov/opentraining)
- Wood County remains at a level 2 or orange level. Level 2 indicates: Increased exposure and spread. Exercise high degree of caution. Follow all current health orders. Same guidelines as in Level 1. • Avoid contact with anyone who is considered high-risk. • High-risk individuals* should take extra care to follow precautions. • Decrease in-person interactions outside household. • Seek medical care as needed, but limit or avoid unnecessary visits to hospitals, nursing homes, and residential care facilities to see others as much as possible. **Ohio's Public Health Advisory System is updated every Thursday.** The system consists of four levels that provide Ohioans with guidance as to the severity of the problem in the counties in which they live. The levels are determined by seven data indicators that identify the risk level for each county and a corresponding color code to represent that risk level.
- Please contact us if:
 - If you have PPE to donate, if you have any PPE needs or have any questions.
 - If you know citizens looking to purchase masks, please connect them with our office and we can give them the contact information of local mask sellers.
 - The EMA has kits for Wood County for-profit small businesses (under 100 employees) that contain PPE and hand sanitizer. These kits were provided through JobsOhio to Wood County Economic Development and are **at no cost to the business**. These kits are first come, first served. Please email us with your business name, address, point of contact, and how many employees you have if you are interested.

Public Health:

- There have been 147797 confirmed COVID-19 cases in Ohio. There have been 2068 cases (total confirmed plus probable) in Wood County, presently 156 active cases, of those 169 are or have been hospitalized, 87 deaths.

- K-12 school districts are required to notify parents/guardians whose children may be impacted by someone who has confirmed or probable COVID-19 illness and participated in class, sports or activities.
 - Within 24 hours, schools will provide written notification to:
 - Parents/guardians of a student who shared a classroom or participated in a school activity.
 - Parents/guardians of students at the school building.
 - Schools will also report cases to the Health Department within 24 hours.
 - School district information will be released to the public once per week.
 - Updates from Wood County Health Department will be posted on Wednesdays at [Coronavirus.WoodCountyHealth.org](https://www.coronavirus.woodcountyhealth.org) and on social media.
 - The Ohio Department of Health will release similar information on Thursdays at [Coronavirus.Ohio.gov](https://www.coronavirus.ohio.gov)
 - For several reasons, there won't be a direct correlation between K-12 statistics and the daily numbers that Wood County Health Department reports.
 - Cases reported by school districts focus on the physical impact to the school. If a student attends classes in two school systems, both school systems are impacted, so both would report the case. In this example, one student would be counted twice for the school reporting, but they would only be counted as one positive case in the Health Department's regular COVID-19 case update.
 - It's also possible that employees who do not live in Wood County could be counted in one or more school district updates, but not as a Wood County COVID-19 case.
 - Overall case numbers will still be reported based in the county where a person lives.
- Wood County Health Department continues to engage with many public and private schools in our county.
 - We are committed to continuing to work closely with schools to help them navigate this process. We will provide guidance, help them report information, and answer questions they may have.

Law Enforcement/Fire/EMS:

- Perrysburg Township Fire: Although our annual open house is canceled due to COVID we plan on having a drive through chicken BBQ Saturday Oct 10 at the station, 26711 Lime City Rd, from 4 pm until the chickens are gone. \$10 donation for a half chicken two side and cookies for dessert.
- Milton Township's Chicken Barbecue on this Sunday, October 4th, from 11 am until gone, Drive Thru only...enter from the East on Mermill Rd.

BGSU:

- BGSU One Day: Homecoming Edition starts NOW! This is your chance to embrace the spirit of Homecoming as we give back and pay forward in support of our students. As our students navigate a fall semester like never before, the need for student emergency funding, scholarships and support for all areas of University is at an all-time high. Visit bgsu.edu/oneday to show your support and help make our students' aspirations a reality.
- Individuals experiencing COVID symptoms or who have been potentially exposed should call their health care provider or the Falcon Health Center and self-isolate while they await test results. If you have been exposed and receive a negative test result, you need to quarantine the full 14 days from the time of exposure, as symptoms could present at any point. In addition to symptomatic testing, BGSU is implementing a program of randomized surveillance testing that will help monitor and respond to the prevalence of COVID.

<https://www.bgsu.edu/coronavirus/return-to-campus/isolation-and-quarantine-protocols.html?deliveryName=DM8482>

- The BGSU COVID Response Hotline: 419-372-3000 is open M-F 8am-8pm and Saturday from 10am-2pm. Students, staff, and faculty can email health@bgsu.edu or call the hotline if they have a pending COVID test or to report a positive result to begin contact tracing.
- BGSU has launched the #campusclear app which can be downloaded for free and used for daily health screenings. <https://www.bgsu.edu/news/2020/09/bgsu-launches-campusclear-app.html?deliveryName=DM8482>
- Falcon Commitment: <https://www.bgsu.edu/coronavirus/return-to-campus/before-arriving-on-campus.html?deliveryName=DM8482>

Schools:

- For school positivity data please see the Wood County Health Department website at: <https://sites.google.com/view/wchdohio-coronavirus>

Local:

- Northwood: Meeting Reminder: City Council will meet next Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 7pm. Dial 1 646 876 9923 and use the Meeting ID:811 2347 2091 and Passcode: 231390 to enter.
- Wood County: Wood County Employment Opportunities: Know someone looking for a job? Wood County Government posts open positions on-line at: <https://www.co.wood.oh.us/commissioners/employment/default.html>.
- North Baltimore Police Department is currently accepting applications for part-time dispatchers. The candidate must at a minimum: • Be at least 18 years old Disqualifiers include but not limited to: • Criminal history • Excessive driving record • Excessive employment disciplinary record Qualified candidates may apply at The North Baltimore Police Department located at 203 North Main Street in the Village of North Baltimore. For any questions about employment, please contact Chief David Lafferty at (419) 257-2181
- The City of Perrysburg will begin its fall leaf collection on Monday, October 19th. During this period, the city will be covered several times. Crews will begin on the east side of town this year and work their way west. A final sweep of the city leaf collection will commence on Monday, November 30th. A supervisor will follow the crew to ensure all leaf piles are collected. Leaves put out once crews have completed the final sweep will not be picked up.
- Wood County 3rd annual personal shredding event: Saturday Nov. 14, 2020 9am-12pm. Located at Wood County JFS parking lot. Wood County residents may bring up to 5 bags or boxes of paper items to shred onsite as you watch. All they ask is that you provide a gift card or cash donation. Masks required if you get out of your car and social distancing requirements encouraged.
- The WIC Clinic at the Wood County Health Department is reopened, 1840 E. Gypsy Lane Rd. Bowling Green. We are still offering curbside service. Follow our signs to the side of our building and we will serve you at your car. Keep your appointment or make a new one. We will have WIC swag bags for all our participants.
- Wood County Senior Centers: All senior center locations within Wood County, including Perrysburg, Rossford, Walbridge, Grand Rapids, Pemberville Wayne, North Baltimore, and the Wood County Senior Center in Bowling Green will remain closed until November 3, 2020.
- Food giveaway: Friday October 2nd 10:00am-1130am. Drive thru only, Wood County residents only. First United Methodist Church 1526 E. Wooster St. Bowling Green, OH. 419-353-0682

Weather

- **Tonight:** Areas of frost after midnight. Otherwise, partly cloudy, with a low around 36. West wind 5 to 8 mph becoming calm in the evening. **Saturday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 58. Calm wind becoming west around 5 mph in the afternoon. **Saturday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 45. Calm wind.
- FROST ADVISORY IN EFFECT FROM MIDNIGHT TONIGHT TO 8 AM EDT SATURDAY. WHAT: Temperatures in the mid 30s will result in frost formation. WHERE: Portions of north central, northeast and northwest Ohio. WHEN: From midnight tonight to 8 AM EDT Saturday. IMPACTS: Frost could damage or kill sensitive outdoor vegetation if left uncovered. PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS: Take steps now to protect tender plants from the cold.
- There will be a virtual basic spotter training class October 5th from 6-8pm. The class is free and open to anyone. Please register at: <https://www.weather.gov/iln/onlinespotter>

Administrative Information: Any information and contributions your agency has for this report is valuable to maintain a common operating picture and situational awareness for the county as a whole. Please reach out to our office via phone or email (email preferred) to share information.

- EOC Hours of Operation: 830a-430p
- **We do not answer phones during the governor's press conferences.** Please feel free to send an email during those times or leave a message and we will get back to you when we are able.
- Requesting support: Call Wood County EMA at 419-354-9269 or email woodcountyema@co.wood.oh.us
ODH Call line: 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634)
www.coronavirus.ohio.gov

