
Public Notice – Confirmed & Probable School Associated Cases

The Director of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services issued an emergency order in accordance with MCL 388.2253 that requires a school “within 24 hours of being notified by a local health department of a “School Associated Case” (which is defined as “a case of probable or confirmed COVID-19 amongst its students, teachers, staff members, coaches, volunteers, or any other person who was present on school property or at a school function under circumstances that may result in the transmission or contraction of COVID-19 during their infectious period”) to provide a public notice on the school’s website.

On March 18, 2021 the Lapeer County Intermediate School District (Lapeer County ISD) was notified by the Lapeer County Health Department of ten (10) “School Associated Cases” at its Education & Technology Center.

The Lapeer County ISD has taken the following measures to prevent the transmission of COVID-19:

- Requiring individuals to wear a mask at all times except during meals or if medically unable to do so while in District buildings.
- Requiring individuals to wear a face shield in addition to a mask if working within 6 feet of others.
- Requiring all staff and visitors to complete a health screening questionnaire and a temperature check prior to entering District buildings.
- Encouraging parents to conduct health assessments of their children prior to sending them to school and taking students’ temperatures prior to entering the Education and Technology Center.
- Enforcing social distancing practices.
- Restricting visitors to “essential” visits.
- Encouraging all staff, students, and visitors to wash their hands often, avoid close contact with others, and cover their mouths and noses when coughing or sneezing.
- Prohibiting staff to report to work in-person if they have experienced symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 24 hours or have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.
- Restricting entrance to District buildings to a single entrance.
- Following CDC-recommended cleaning and disinfecting guidelines.

Furthermore, in accordance with CDC guidelines (which can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>) the Lapeer County

ISD recommends that individuals take the following measures to prevent the transmission of COVID-19:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds especially after you have been in a public place or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Inside your home...avoid close contact with people who are sick. If possible, maintain 6 feet between the person who is sick and other household members.
- Outside your home...put 6 feet of distance between yourself and people who don't live in your household.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a mask when around others; however, masks should not be used on young children under age 2; anyone who has trouble breathing; or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.
- Always cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow and throw used tissues in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surface daily. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.
- Be alert for symptoms of COVID-19 especially fever, cough, and shortness of breath/difficulty breathing and if symptoms develop, take your temperature; however, don't take your temperature within 30 minutes of exercising or after taking medications that could lower your temperature.