

Portland St. Patrick School

COVID-19 DASHBOARD

Updated: December 8, 2020

To protect the health of our School Community and per the Emergency Order issued by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services [Reporting of Confirmed and Probable Cases of COVID-19 at Schools](#) on October 6, 2020, St. Patrick will use this webpage to provide Public Notice to our School Community regarding School Associated Cases of COVID-19. Within 24 hours of being notified of a School Associated Case by Ionia County Health Department this dashboard will be updated to include new and cumulative COVID-19 case counts. Individuals identified as Close Contacts of School Associated Cases will be notified separately and directly by their local health department.

STATUS OF INSTRUCTION AND SCHOOL-SPONSORED FUNCTIONS

Instruction: Instruction continues as outlined and is available for review at [our Return to School plan here](#).

School-Sponsored Functions: School sports are conducted under the guidelines put forth by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

SCHOOL ASSOCIATED COVID-19 CASES

Since October 6th, the district has been notified of students or staff that School Associated Cases of COVID-19. The district is only reporting on cases in which the positive case attended school or a school activity and contact tracing was needed.

In the event, a probable and/or confirmed case is reported to us by one of our local health departments among students, staff, administration, coaches, or visitors such that the person with COVID-19 was in the building or participating in a school-sponsored function during their infectious period it will be reported here.

New Cases (Since Last Update)	1
Cumulative Cases (Since Reporting Began October 6th)	12
Populations Affected	Elementary

As a precaution, we will be disinfecting applicable areas of the school. This may include spraying classrooms, hallways, locker rooms, and common areas, as needed, with a sanitizer, along with other methods of disinfection.

ACTIONS YOU CAN TAKE

We recommend taking action to help limit the spread of COVID-19, even if staff members or students are not experiencing symptoms:

- **Wear a mask** (covering mouth and nose) while in public places or if people who do not live with you must visit your home.
- **Practice social distancing** (maintaining a distance of 6 feet apart).
- **Practice frequent handwashing** (using soap for 20 seconds or hand sanitizer with 60% alcohol).
- **Follow [capacity restrictions](#)** of social gatherings.
- **Cover coughs and sneezes** with a tissue or with the inside of your elbow and immediately wash your hands.
- **Stay home if you are sick**; you can also [get tested](#).
- **Answer the phone if the health department contacts you**, as a contact tracer may be trying to reach you with important information.

This information does not mean you should quarantine or isolate. Those members of the School Community who were or are suspected to have been in Close Contact with a School Associated Case will be notified by their local health department and/or school.

Thank you for understanding that, due to medical privacy laws, we are not able to release the names of the individuals with COVID-19. We will continue to communicate changes and updates with you. With your participation, we believe we can maintain a safe environment while also providing quality education.

If you have any questions contact:

Ionia County Health Department

616-527-5341

For answers to your COVID-19 questions, please call the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services COVID-19 Hotline at 888-535-6136 or visit [Michigan.gov/Coronavirus](https://www.michigan.gov/Coronavirus).