



# REED CITY AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS **COVID-19 Dashboard Details**

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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, Reed City Area Public Schools 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 Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), 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 Reed City Area Public Schools.

## **STATUS OF INSTRUCTION AND SCHOOL-SPONSORED FUNCTIONS**

- Instruction: In-Person or Learn from Home options are available to students.
- School-Sponsored Functions: Guidance from governances like Central Michigan District Health Department (CMDHD) or Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA), for example, will steer decisions as to the happening of school sponsored activities.

## **SCHOOL ASSOCIATED COVID-19 CASES**

The CMDHD makes us aware of the case counts of School Associated Cases of COVID-19 amongst the Reed City Area Public School Community. This data may include probable and confirmed cases as reported by CMDHD among students, staff, administration, coaches, or visitors, if the person with COVID-19 was in the building or participating in a school-sponsored function during their infectious period. These cases appear on the RCAPS COVID-19 Dashboard and can be found at [www.reedcityschools.org](http://www.reedcityschools.org), click on Menu then COVID-19 Dashboard under Return to School 20/21.

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 Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and/or Reed City Area Public Schools.

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 the Central Michigan District Health Department at the local office: 231-832-5532 or the main office: 989-773-5921. 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://Michigan.gov/Coronavirus).