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## TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITY INFORMED.

As educators and parents, we understand the importance of trust to our home-to-school partnership. Our promise is to keep our school community apprised of any COVID 19-related school situation that does not require a school closure via this COVID COMMUNICATOR advisory tool. Please be assured that the district will follow the CDC/Health Department process for addressing Covid-related situations.

## UPDATE.

The word "outbreak" has a scary connotation, but as used by local and state health departments and the CDC, an outbreak is two or more positive cases that are directly linked. As the Lakewood Public Schools completed its tenth week of in-person and remote instruction, two new positive cases were reported but there was no link between them and therefore we have not experienced an outbreak. Also, it is important to understand that there have been no incidents of transmission of the virus within a school building.

This week, an individual at Lakewood Elementary School tested positive resulting in twenty-four others to be quarantined as close contacts and one person at LHS tested positive and nine related close contacts being quarantined. Three additional Lakewood staff or students were quarantined as close contacts to non-school related individuals who tested positive.

**For more updated regional information see:**

[Lakewood COVID Q & A Link](#)

[Barry-Eaton District Health Department](#)

"Weekly Data Reports" at the bottom of the page

[Ionia County Health Department](#)

"Ionia County Case Demographics"

## HOW YOU CAN HELP.

- Be mindful of practicing actions to help prevent the spread of Covid.
- Please minimize discussion on unconfirmed information via social media sites in order to reduce miscommunication and inaccurate discussions. Unnecessary anxiety can result from repeating or posting unconfirmed information. We deeply appreciate your support of Lakewood students, families, and one another during this unprecedented time.
- Please ensure students only attend school when they are feeling well. Always monitor the onset of symptoms related to COVID-19 and contact your health provider should changes in one's health occur.

Thank you for being a valued partner in your child's health, and the safety of others.

**Times may be uncertain, but one thing that remains certain is we are one team because:**

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# COVID COMMUNICATOR