



COVID-19

Guidance for Schools, Businesses, and
Community Based Organizations

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www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov

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This interim guidance is based on what is currently known about the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Information will be updated as it becomes available.

LAPEER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT RESPONSE: WHAT WE ARE DOING

- We are listening to weekly Local Health Department update calls with Michigan Department of Health and Human Services as well as the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Monitoring all individuals based on risk exposure as defined by CDC Guidance
- Maintaining communication with local medical providers to coordinate care and monitoring

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19?

SICK EMPLOYEES AND STUDENTS SHOULD STAY HOME

- Staying home will prevent the spread of any germ. Sick people need to stay home, rest and recover without exposing others.

PERFORM ROUTINE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANING

- No additional disinfection beyond routine cleaning is recommended at this time
- Employers are recommended to provide disposable wipes so that commonly used surfaces (doorknobs, keyboards, remote controls, desks etc.) can be wiped down by employees before each use.
- Using the cleaning agents you normally use for these areas, schedule routine cleaning for all frequently touched surfaces. Follow instructions on the labels.

SO...WHAT ABOUT PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT?

- PPE including masks are **NOT** recommended for the general well public
- Facemasks should be used by people who show symptoms of COVID-19 to help prevent the spread of the disease to others. Health workers and people who are taking care of someone in close settings should also consider facemask use.

IF PPE IS NOT RECOMMENDED.... HOW CAN I PROTECT MYSELF?

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- If there is no available soap and water use alcohol based hand sanitizer that contains 60-95% alcohol
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough and sneeze
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe

PLANNING

KNOW WHAT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE FUNCTIONING OF YOUR ORGANIZATION:

- Look at your business practice and identify what can be done via tele-commute
- Review your sick leave policy and plan for potential high absenteeism. How will your business run with high absenteeism?
- Communicate with employees:
 - Encourage employees to have a family emergency plan that includes a stockpile of food/water/medication for the family
 - Ensure child care plans are in place
 - Is there a potential for work or learn from home?

DOES YOUR BUSINESS INCLUDE TRAVEL?

- Consider postponing non-essential travel
- Travel guidelines are available at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/>

