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### **Health Department of Northwest Michigan COVID-19 Update**

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting 2 new confirmed cases in Emmet county, and a reduction of 1 case in Otsego county. Case investigations and contact tracing are in progress, and relevant information will be shared when it becomes available.

Yesterday, in an effort to provide information about COVID-19 in Michigan schools, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) began reporting outbreak information by school building. The information will be posted daily on the [Michigan.gov COVID-19 website](https://www.michigan.gov/COVID-19), and the data published will provide the public with a general understanding of current school-related COVID-19 outbreaks. The publicly available information will include the following items:

- County
- School Name
- School Address
- School Grades
- School-Specific Case Count
- Case Type (Staff, Student, or Both)

“Our schools have worked with us to prepare for a safe and healthy return to school this fall,” stated Dr. Meyerson, Medical Director. “We understand that in-person learning is important for the social and physical health of students in addition to educational development. We know that not all local students have returned to in-person learning, but with continuous planning and the support of local school staff, families, and students following these protocols, our local students will be able to return to in-person learning soon if they haven’t already.”

As of 4:00pm, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting:

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 57, Charlevoix – 81, Emmet – 129, Otsego – 137
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 40, Charlevoix – 54, Emmet – 81, Otsego – 105
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Charlevoix – 3, Emmet – 4, Otsego – 11.

The State of Michigan has reported 113,183 cases and 6,612 deaths.

Stay up to date on the latest information in the Health Department jurisdiction by [liking and following our Facebook page](#) and visiting our [COVID-19 Data Dashboard](#). To locate a testing facility, visit the [Michigan COVID-19 Test Finder website](#). To track the risk levels of COVID-19 pandemic indicators, visit the [MI Safe Start Map website](#).

*The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is mandated by the Michigan Public Health Code to promote wellness, prevent disease, provide quality healthcare, address health problems of vulnerable populations, and protect the environment for the residents and visitors of Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet, and Otsego counties. For more information, visit [nwhealth.org](http://nwhealth.org).*

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