



February 18, 2022

Dear Caledonia Community Schools Community:

The Kent County Health Department (KCHD) issued a [press release](#) yesterday that affects public health orders in place for educational settings. While you are welcome to read the entire press release above, our team has provided a summary of changes or highlights of note for our district:

1. The [Public Health Order dated January 11th](#) of this year will expire at the conclusion of the school day today, February 18, 2022. There are no other public health orders related to COVID-19 presently in effect from the Kent County Health Department or the State of Michigan.
2. Schools are still required to report COVID-19 cases, along with cases of other infectious disease, to the local health department under Michigan Public Health Code and existing administrative rules for communicable disease management.
3. On January 29, 2021, CDC issued an [ORDER](#) that required face masks to be worn by all people while on public transportation (which included all passengers and all personnel operating conveyances) traveling into, within, or out of the United States and U.S. territories. More information on the CDC mask guidance for school buses can be found [here](#). The CDC ORDER includes school buses, both public and private, and **is still in effect until March 18th, 2022.**

The health department has indicated that they will be providing schools with implementation guidance via the toolkit and we will share that information when it is provided. As stated in previous communications, we will continue to work with public health officials and make the necessary adjustments to our practices based on local health department orders, as well as the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), and CDC guidance.

We appreciate your patience and support as we navigate these ongoing changes.

Dr. Dedrick Martin

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Dr. Dedrick Martin'.

Superintendent
Caledonia Community Schools