

SMFCSD Board of Education Meeting

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COVID-19 Update
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Our Weekly Process

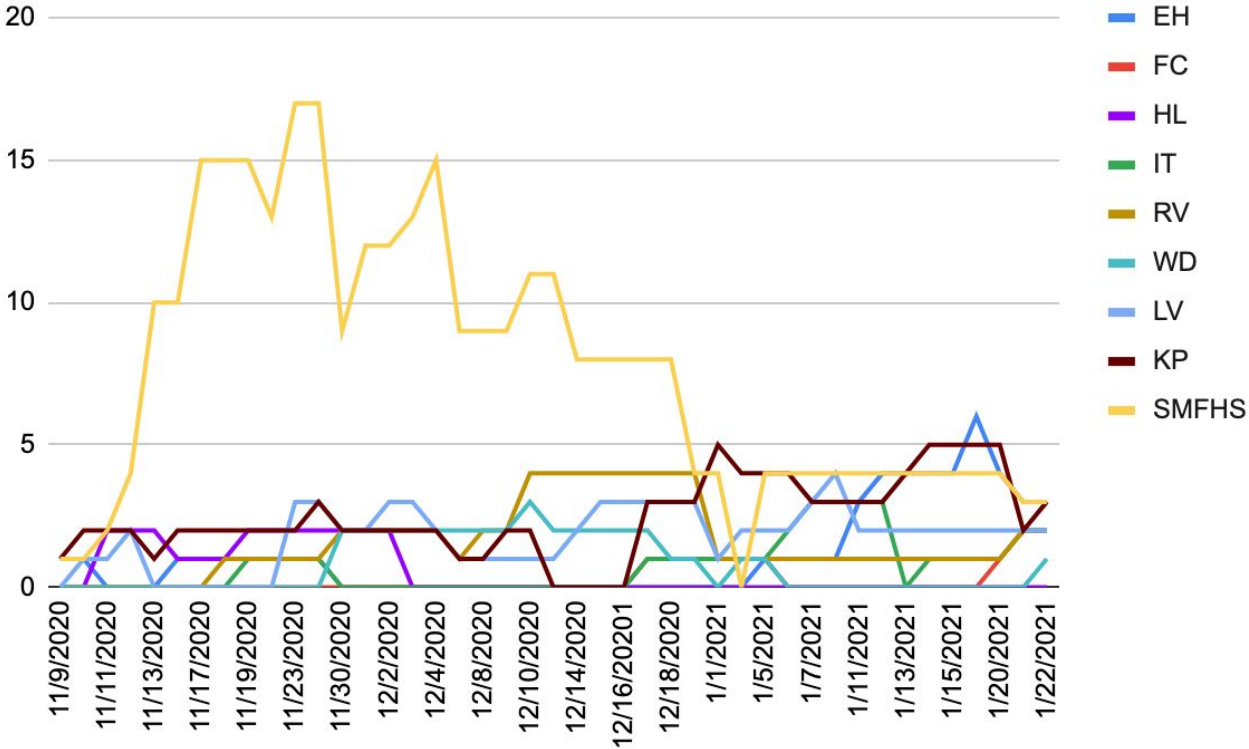
- District COVID response team meets weekly.
 - Team includes two doctors who specialize in infectious disease and our district RN.
- Information reviewed:
 - Current district positive cases and quarantine numbers.
 - Consider quarantines that result from inside and outside of school.
 - Positive cases in Six District Educational Compact programs and districts.
 - Staffing and substitute availability.
 - Case rates in the Stow and Munroe Falls communities.
 - Current research related to COVID-19
- Goal is always to return to 5 days per week for all students as soon as safely possible.



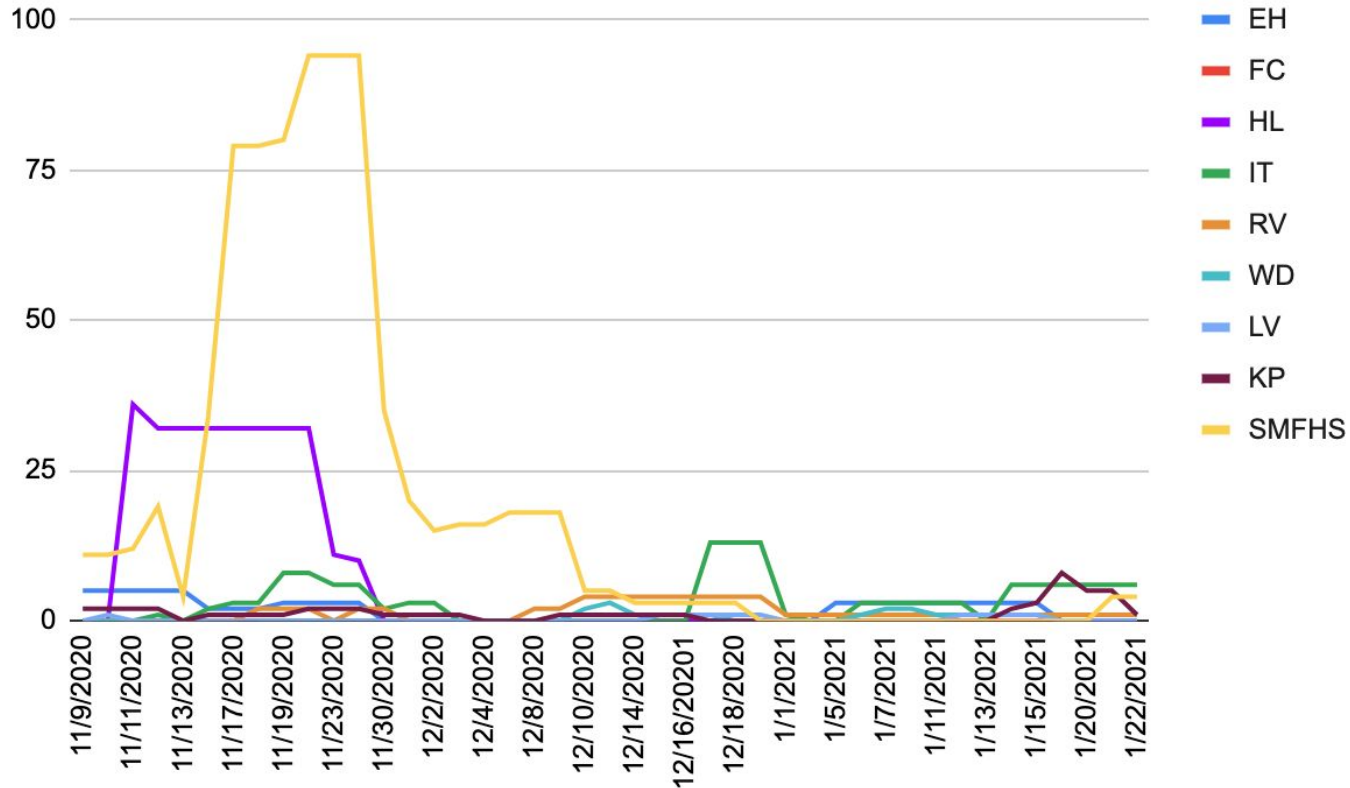
Current District Data



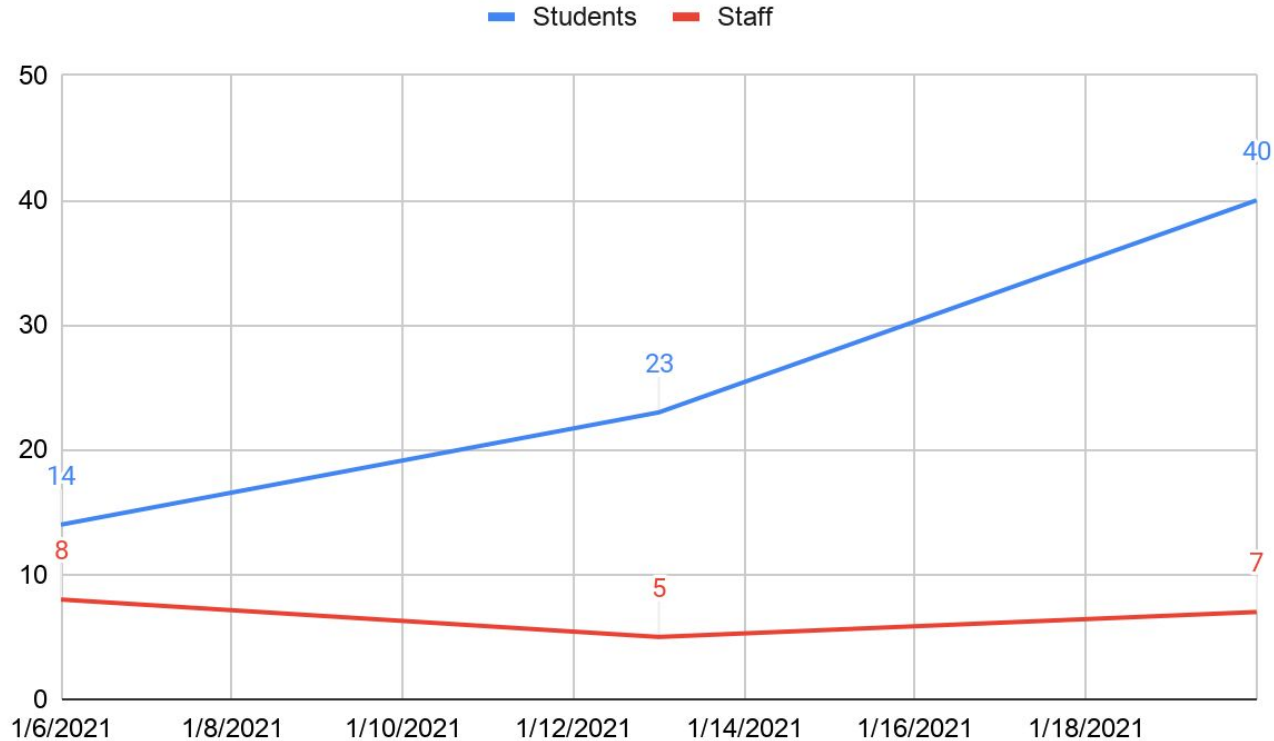
Positive Cases - Students and Staff



Quarantine Students & Staff



Total Quarantine Numbers - Contact In & Out of School



Quarantine Projections if 5 Days/Week

10 students at SMFHS tested positive last week.

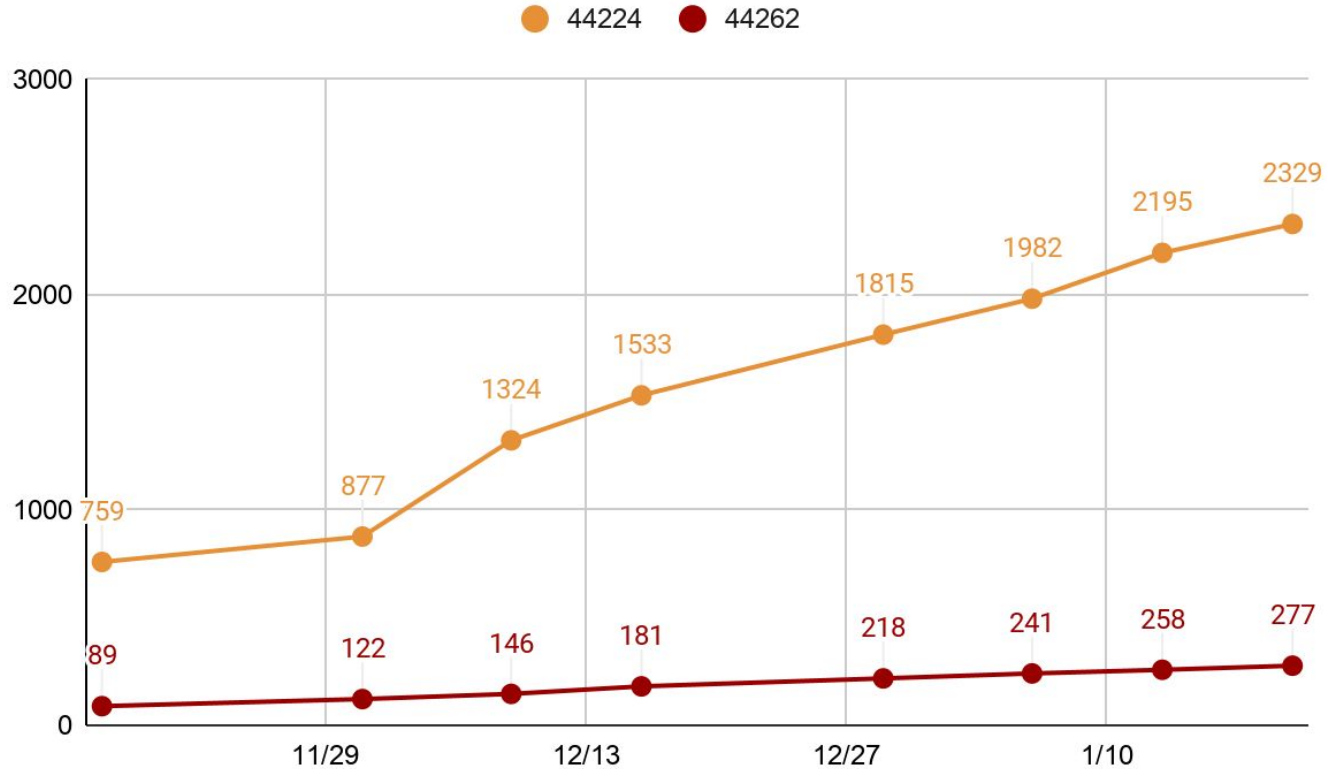
- 8 attend in-person.
 - Some of these cases resulted in no students being quarantined.
- If less than 6 feet, an average of 4 students per class and at lunch may be quarantined which equals 30 students per student.
- Possible total of 240 students may have needed quarantined if attending 5 days per week.



Stow and Munroe Falls Community Data



Positive Cases by Zip Code

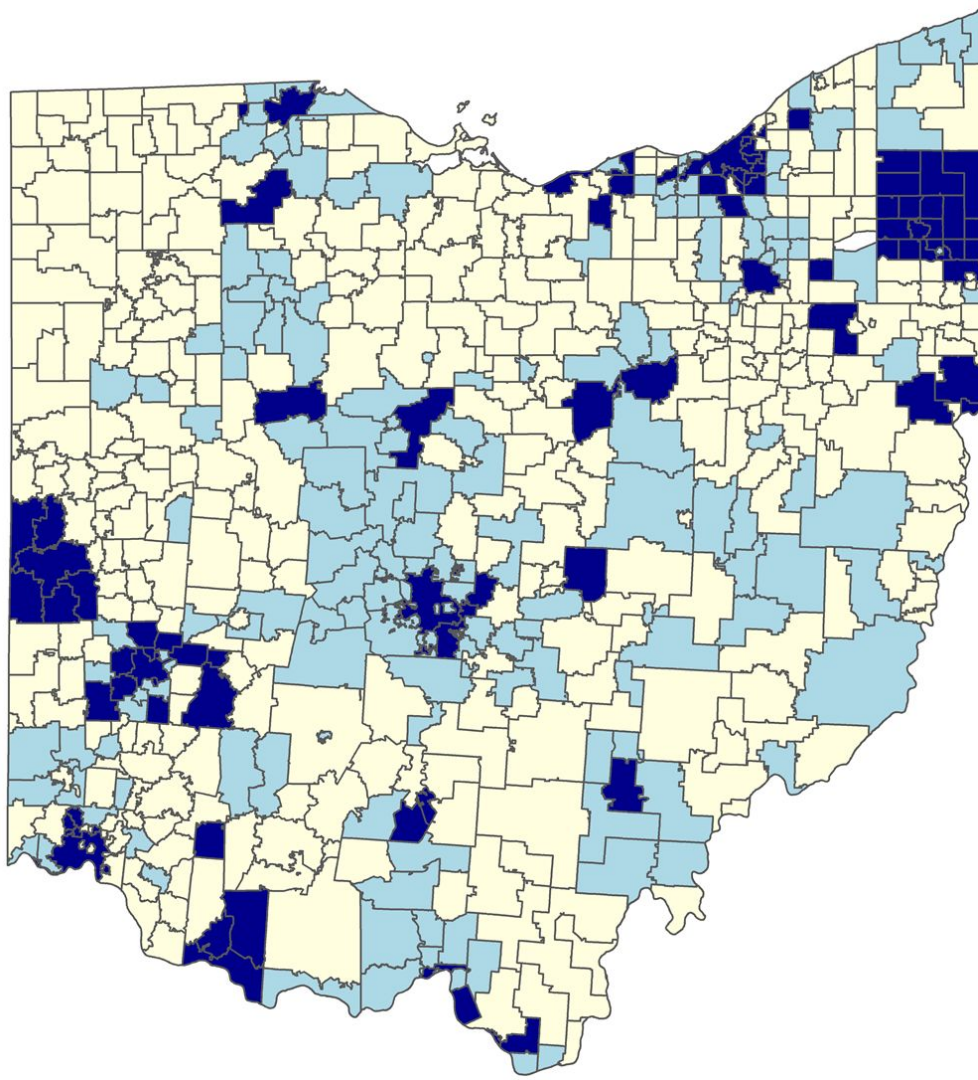


Keeping Our Schools Open

- Please continue to promote social distancing while outside of school.
- Follow CDC guidance to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
- Avoid in-person social gatherings.
- Report positive student cases to your student's school as soon as you become aware of the results.
 - Applies to Gold and Maroon students.
- Keep your student home from school if:
 - They have a current quarantine order.
 - They are exhibiting any symptoms associated with COVID-19.
 - They have been tested for COVID-19 but results are not yet available.



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Education Delivery Model

- 5-Day In-Person (350)
- Hybrid (167)
- Fully Remote (92)

Ohio Department of Health Research

Ohio Schools COVID-19 Evaluation

- Preliminary Report issued 12/20/2020.
- Preliminary results of the evaluation indicate no differences in the groups that would imply a mandatory, at-home quarantine was necessary for students who were close contacts with appropriate mask usage.



Ohio Department of Health K-12 Exposure & Quarantine Guidance



ODH Guidance

- Document refers to the *COVID-19 Guidance for Safe Schools* from the American Academy of Pediatrics.
 - AAP guidance states:
 - Desks, “should be placed at least 3 feet, but ideally 6 feet apart” for elementary students.
 - “Desks should be placed 6 feet apart when feasible” for secondary students.
- ODH has notified SCPH that the K-12 Exposure & Quarantine guidance may be corrected to align with the AAP guidance.



Modified Quarantine for K-4 Students

- ***Students who are wearing masks and seated at least 3 feet apart will be permitted to ride the bus and attend school during their quarantine period.***
- For students to be under the modified quarantine, the following conditions must be met:
 - Exposure must have occurred within a classroom setting or on the bus.
 - Only applicable to student-to-student contact.
 - Both students must have been wearing their masks for the entire time.
- Students still subject to out-of-school quarantine if not 6 feet at lunch or with a barrier.
- **All other contacts will still follow the 14 day out-of-school quarantine.**
- **Does not apply to exposure that occurs outside of school.**



COVID-19 Prevention Policies

- All currently implemented policies remain in place:
 - Universal mask wearing
 - Social distancing at 3 feet within the classroom setting and 6 feet or with barriers in other settings
 - Hand-washing
 - Identification and management of students exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19
 - Contact tracing
 - Routine environmental cleaning and disinfection protocols.
- Staff will maintain a 6 foot distance from students when possible.



Staff Vaccinations

- 90% of staff are intending to receive the vaccine.
- We are hopeful for a continued decrease in cases, additional relaxed guidelines due to vaccinations, ...

