



COVID-19 Ongoing Clusters in Child Care and School Settings: Updated February 2, 2021

Introduction

In order to standardize reporting regarding COVID-19 clusters in child care and school settings, the NC Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) will update this report two times per week. This report will include the names of licensed/regulated child care settings and school settings where there is an ongoing cluster and the number of positive COVID-19 cases and deaths related to that cluster. Child care operators and school principals are required per [G.S. 130A-136](#) to report suspected cases of reportable communicable diseases (including COVID-19) to the local health director of the county or district in which the school or facility is located. As this pandemic continues to evolve, we continually reassess the appropriateness of data reporting to balance transparency, public health and individual privacy.

Starting September 25, 2020, NCDHHS began reporting on two new measures on the NC COVID-19 Dashboard: 1. Antigen-positive cases and deaths, and 2. Antigen tests completed. This change was made in accordance with [recently updated case classification guidelines from the CDC](#).

With this reporting change, cases now reflect individuals with a positive molecular (PCR) or positive antigen test result from the NC State Laboratory of Public Health, a reporting hospital, a reporting provider, or a commercial lab. COVID-19 deaths include individuals who have had a positive molecular (PCR) or positive antigen test for COVID-19, who died without fully recovering from COVID-19, and who had no alternative cause of death identified. Deaths are reported by hospitals and clinicians directly to the local or state health departments. For more information about antigen positive case data, visit the NCDHHS [Antigen Positive Cases Data: FAQ](#).

In a child care or school setting, a COVID-19 cluster is defined as a minimum of five positive cases identified through a positive molecular (PCR) or positive antigen test result with illness onsets or initial positive results within a 14-day period and plausible epidemiologic linkage between cases. A cluster is considered over if there is not evidence of continued transmission within the setting. This is measured as 28 days after the latest date of onset in a symptomatic person or the latest date of specimen collection in an asymptomatic person, whichever is later. If another case is detected in a child care or school setting after a cluster is declared over, the cluster is not reopened. If additional cases are subsequently reported and a new cluster exists, it will be reported as a second, new cluster in that setting. Clusters that are considered over can be found on the last page of this report, under the previous clusters section. The previous clusters section will include clusters that have been closed since the last report was published.

This report includes COVID-19 clusters in child care and school settings that have been entered into the North Carolina COVID-19 Surveillance System (NC COVID). COVID-19 case and cluster investigations are conducted by local health departments. Time is required to determine whether a given COVID-19 case is associated with a child care or school setting, gather follow-up information, and enter it into NC COVID. Thus, data included in this report may differ from data available through

media and other sources. Data are preliminary, and these numbers and settings are subject to change as more information is obtained during cluster investigations. Cases listed below represent the cumulative number of cases during the cluster and do not necessarily represent active cases. Child care or school settings with less than 10 children or staff are not included to protect confidentiality.

These data will be updated on Tuesday and Friday by 4 p.m.

Child Care or School Setting with an Ongoing Cluster:

Setting Type	Setting County	Facility	Staff		Children		Total	
			Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Child Care	Alamance	Childcare Network #297	1	0	4	0	5	0
Child Care	Alamance	Little Thinkers	3	0	3	0	6	0
Child Care	Alamance	The Kitty Hupman Weekday School	3	0	5	0	8	0
Child Care	Brunswick	Childcare Network Southport	4	0	3	0	7	0
Child Care	Brunswick	Tiny Tots Child Care	1	0	8	0	9	0
Child Care	Cumberland	New Life Baptist Church	9	0	2	0	11	0
Child Care	Cumberland	Trinity Child Care	5	0	2	0	7	0
Child Care	Cumberland	Lakewoods Drive KinderCare	1	0	4	0	5	0
Child Care	Durham	Bright Horizons	4	0	1	0	5	0
Child Care	Durham	The Goddard School	2	0	3	0	5	0
Child Care	Durham	Rose of Sharon Preschool	3	0	4	0	7	0
Child Care	Forsyth	West Forsyth Christian Preschool	1	0	4	0	5	0
Child Care	Forsyth	Bright Horizons at Wake Forest Baptist Health	5	0	2	0	7	0
Child Care	Forsyth	Little Geniuses Learning Center	1	0	5	0	6	0
Child Care	Iredell	Smart Kids Child Development Center	0	0	6	0	6	0
Child Care	Lenoir	Miss Lindsey's Child Care & After School, LLC	5	0	1	0	6	0
Child Care	Mecklenburg	Fairyland Academy	4	0	5	0	9	0
Child Care	New Hanover	Classy Bears Day Care and Preschool	2	0	3	0	5	0
Child Care	Person	Early Intervention	4	0	3	0	7	0
Child Care	Surry	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Daycare	3	0	3	0	6	0
Child Care	Wake	The Goddard School of Raleigh (North)	5	0	2	0	7	0
Child Care	Wake	Foundations Academy	3	0	6	0	9	0
Child Care	Wake	Wakefield Creative School	4	0	1	0	5	0
Child Care	Wake	Kids R Kids - Wake Forest	3	0	2	0	5	0
Child Care	Watauga	Greenway Baptist Child Development Center	8	0	7	0	15	0
Child Care	Wilson	Childcare Network #324	2	0	6	0	8	0
K-12 School	Alamance	South Graham Elementary	9	0	0	0	9	0
K-12 School	Alamance	Highland Elementary	5	0	0	0	5	0
K-12 School	Alamance	E.M. Yoder Elementary School	4	0	2	0	6	0

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K-12 School	Alamance	Positive Attitude Youth Center	2	0	6	0	8	0
K-12 School	Alamance	Southern Alamance High School	3	0	3	0	6	0
K-12 School	Alleghany	Alleghany High School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Bertie	Bethel Assembly Christian Academy	2	0	12	0	14	0
K-12 School	Brunswick	Town Creek Elementary School	17	0	21	0	38	0
K-12 School	Brunswick	Jessie Mae Moore Elementary	0	0	6	0	6	0
K-12 School	Brunswick	South Brunswick Charter School	3	0	8	0	11	0
K-12 School	Brunswick	Union Elementary School	2	0	4	0	6	0
K-12 School	Burke	Hildebran Elementary School	5	0	0	0	5	0
K-12 School	Burke	Icard Elementary School	5	0	0	0	5	0
K-12 School	Columbus	Whiteville High School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Cumberland	Temple Christian Academy	2	0	5	0	7	0
K-12 School	Gaston	Piedmont Community Charter Elementary School	5	0	2	0	7	0
K-12 School	Guilford	Greater Vision Academy	6	0	2	0	8	0
K-12 School	Henderson	Hendersonville High School	1	0	5	0	6	0
K-12 School	Henderson	Fletcher Academy	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Lenoir	South Lenoir High School	3	0	12	0	15	0
K-12 School	Lenoir	North Lenoir High School	3	0	3	0	6	0
K-12 School	Lenoir	Arendell Parrot Academy	3	0	22	0	25	0
K-12 School	Lenoir	Banks Elementary School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Lenoir	Kinston High School	2	0	4	0	6	0
K-12 School	Lenoir	Northeast Elementary School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Lenoir	Contentnea-Savannah K-8 School	2	0	5	0	7	0
K-12 School	Martin	Williamston Primary School	7	0	0	0	7	0
K-12 School	Mecklenburg	North Mecklenburg High School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Mecklenburg	Lake Wylie Elementary School	5	0	0	0	5	0
K-12 School	Mecklenburg	David W Butler High School	3	0	4	0	7	0
K-12 School	Montgomery	Wescare Christian Academy	1	0	5	0	6	0
K-12 School	New Hanover	Coastal Christian High School	4	0	26	0	30	0
K-12 School	Person	Person High School	0	0	7	0	7	0
K-12 School	Polk	Sunny View Elementary	1	0	5	0	6	0

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K-12 School	Union	Weddington Elementary School	2	0	3	0	5	0
K-12 School	Union	Porter Ridge High School	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Cary High School	2	0	3	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	North Raleigh Christian Academy #1	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Our Lady of Lourdes School	1	0	5	0	6	0
K-12 School	Wake	North Raleigh Christian Academy #2	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Cardinal Gibbons High School	2	0	3	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Cary Christian School	3	0	2	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Neuse Christian Academy	2	0	5	0	7	0
K-12 School	Wilson	Greenfield School	2	0	4	0	6	0
K-12 School	Yadkin	Starmount High School	2	0	5	0	7	0
K-12 School	Yadkin	Forbush High School	2	0	3	0	5	0
K-12 School	Yancey	Burnsville Elementary School	5	0	0	0	5	0

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Child Care or School Setting Cluster Considered Over Since Last Report:

Previous Clusters*	Setting County	Facility	Staff		Children		Total	
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K-12 School	Burke	Christ Classical Academy	1	0	7	0	8	0
K-12 School	Burke	Valdese Elementary School	3	0	3	0	6	0
K-12 School	Person	Helena Elementary School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Scotland	Shaw Academy	9	0	0	0	9	0

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