

COVID-19 Ongoing Clusters in Child Care and School Settings: Updated March 23, 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 <u>G.S. 130A-136</u> 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:

			Staff		Children		T	otal
Setting Type	Setting County	Facility	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Child Care	Alamance	Kidz N Progress	3	0	5	0	8	0
Child Care	Alamance	Like My Own	3	0	5	0	8	0
Child Care	Anson	C's & T's Childcare	9	0	8	0	17	0
Child Care	Buncombe	Childcare Network #177-Fairview	3	0	4	0	7	0
Child Care	Cabarrus	Dixon Academy at Northeast	6	0	2	0	8	0
Child Care	Duplin	Sandcastles Childcare Center	5	0	1	0	6	0
Child Care	Durham	Bright Horizons Enrichment Center	1	0	4	0	5	0
Child Care	Forsyth	Sunshine House - ELA - Country Club Rd	4	0	1	0	5	0
Child Care	Franklin	Precious Beginnings Daycare	2	0	6	0	8	0
Child Care	Harnett	Gospel Tabernacle Academy	3	0	4	0	7	0
Child Care	Henderson	The Beacon Child Development Center	4	0	1	0	5	0
Child Care	Johnston	Jellybean Island	5	0	4	0	9	0
Child Care	Mecklenburg	Avondale Children's Center	5	0	5	0	10	0
Child Care	Mecklenburg	Childcare Network #93	2	0	6	0	8	0
Child Care	Mecklenburg	Tiny Treasures Child Development Center	1	0	4	0	5	0
Child Care	Orange	Knee High Preschool	1	0	4	0	5	0
Child Care	Person	Early Intervention	4	0	3	0	7	0
Child Care	Person	Earl Bradsher Preschool	1	0	5	0	6	0
Child Care	Robeson	Christine's Christian Day Care	4	0	9	0	13	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	Wake	Bright Horizons Children's Center Cary	5	0	0	0	5	0
Child Care	Wake	La Petite Academy	3	0	2	0	5	0

			Staff		Staff Children		Total	
Setting Type	Setting County	Facility	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Child Care	Wake	The Goddard School of Raleigh (North)	3	0	4	0	7	0
Child Care	Wake	Infant - Toddler Center of First Baptist Church	3	0	2	0	5	0
Child Care	Wake	The Goddard School (Brier Creek)	2	0	5	0	7	0
Child Care	Wake	ABC Land Inc.	2	0	3	0	5	0
Child Care	Wake	Millbrook Kindercare	0	0	5	0	5	0
Child Care	Wake	Little Learners Magic Moments Preschool	1	0	5	0	6	0
Child Care	Wake	Oak Village Academy	3	0	2	0	5	0
Child Care	Wake	Precious Lambs Early Learning Center	4	0	3	0	7	0
Child Care	Wake	The Goddard School (Ridge Road)	1	0	4	0	5	0
Child Care	Watauga	Greenway Baptist Child Development Center	8	0	7	0	15	0
K-12 School	Alleghany	Alleghany High School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Avery	Avery County High School	0	0	6	0	6	0
K-12 School	Buncombe	Asheville Christian Academy	4	0	20	0	24	0
K-12 School	Cabarrus	Bethel Elementary School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Cleveland	Shelby High School	0	0	15	0	15	0
K-12 School	Columbus	Whiteville High School	6	0	8	0	14	0
K-12 School	Cumberland	Fayetteville Christian School	0	0	9	0	9	0
K-12 School	Forsyth	Walkertown High School	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Greene	Mt. Calvary Christian Academy	2	0	4	0	6	0
K-12 School	Guilford	Greater Vision Academy	6	0	2	0	8	0
K-12 School	Guilford	Archer Elementary School	5	0	0	0	5	0
K-12 School	Guilford	Caldwell Academy	5	0	6	0	11	0
K-12 School	Guilford	Oakview Elementary School	3	0	2	0	5	0
K-12 School	Henderson	Hendersonville High School	1	0	5	0	6	0
K-12 School	Henderson	Fletcher Academy	0	0	12	0	12	0
K-12 School	Henderson	Mills River Elementary School	2	0	3	0	5	0

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Setting Type	Setting County	Facility	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
K-12 School	Iredell	Mooresville High School	0	0	11	0	11	0
K-12 School	Iredell	Woodland Heights Elementary School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Johnston	Cleveland Elementary School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Madison	Woodson Branch Nature School	1	0	5	0	6	0
K-12 School	Martin	Williamston Primary School	7	0	0	0	7	0
K-12 School	New Hanover	Myrtle Grove Christian School	1	0	6	0	7	0
K-12 School	Onslow	Infant of Prague Catholic School	4	0	3	0	7	0
K-12 School	Pamlico	Pamlico Christian Academy	1	0	7	0	8	0
K-12 School	Pamlico	Pamlico County High School	5	0	5	0	10	0
K-12 School	Pasquotank	North East Academy for Aerospace and Advanced Technologies	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Person	Person High School	0	0	7	0	7	0
K-12 School	Person	Woodland Elementary School	3	0	7	0	10	0
K-12 School	Pitt	South Central High School	1	0	9	0	10	0
K-12 School	Robeson	Red Springs High School	0	0	7	0	7	0
K-12 School	Robeson	St. Paul's High School – 1 st	0	0	7	0	7	0
K-12 School	Robeson	St. Paul's High School – 2 nd	8	0	3	0	11	0
K-12 School	Union	Porter Ridge High School	1	0	11	0	12	0
K-12 School	Union	Piedmont High School	4	0	7	0	11	0
K-12 School	Wake	Our Lady of Lourdes School	1	0	5	0	6	0
K-12 School	Wake	Cardinal Gibbons High School	2	0	3	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Neuse Christian Academy	2	0	5	0	7	0
K-12 School	Wake	The Franciscan School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Cathedral School	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Wake Christian Academy	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	North Raleigh Christian Academy	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Cary Christian School	5	0	24	0	29	0

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K-12 School	Wake	Envision Science Academy	4	0	1	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Lincoln Height Elementary School	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Wake	Casa Esperanza Montessori School	2	0	8	0	10	0
K-12 School	Wake	Zebulon Elementary School	1	0	4	0	5	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	Yadkin	Yadkinville Elementary School	5	0	0	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:

			Staff		Children		То	tal
Previous Clusters*	Setting County	Facility	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Child Care	Mecklenburg	Jewish Preschool on Sardis	2	0	3	0	5	0
Child Care	Orange	Sounds and Colors	2	0	8	0	10	0
Child Care	Wake	Lightbridge Academy - Holly Springs	2	0	8	0	10	0
K-12 School	Bertie	Lawrence Academy	1	0	16	0	17	0
K-12 School	Brunswick	South Brunswick Charter School	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Buncombe	Carolina Day	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Cumberland	Freedom Christian Academy	1	0	11	0	12	0

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