



## **COVID-19 Ongoing Clusters in Child Care and School Settings: Updated November 17, 2020**

### **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. 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	Love's Childcare	2	0	3	0	5	0
Child Care	Columbus	Enchanting Tree Learning Center	5	0	0	0	5	0
Child Care	Durham	Creative Care Early Learning Academy	1	0	4	0	5	0
Child Care	Durham	Legacy Child Enrichment Center	2	0	9	0	11	0
Child Care	Forsyth	The Sunshine House	3	0	2	0	5	0
Child Care	Forsyth	Foundations Early learning Center	4	0	2	0	6	0
Child Care	Granville	YMCA Remote Learning Support Center	3	0	2	0	5	0
Child Care	Jackson	Shepherd Early Education and Preschool	3	0	4	0	7	0
Child Care	Johnston	Lipscomb's Learning Center	2	0	4	0	6	0
Child Care	Mecklenburg	Calvary Child development	5	0	3	0	8	0
Child Care	Onslow	Abundance of Love and Learning Center	7	0	1	0	8	0
Child Care	Onslow	New Beginnings	3	0	5	0	8	0
Child Care	Orange	Knee High Preschool	5	0	1	0	6	0
Child Care	Union	LeafSpring School at Matthews	3	0	4	0	7	0
Child Care	Wake	Appletree Development Center	6	0	0	0	6	0
Child Care	Wake	Kids R Kids - West Cary	1	0	5	0	6	0
Child Care	Wake	Kindercare Learning Center	5	0	0	0	5	0
Child Care	Wake	St. Mark's Preschool	6	0	1	0	7	0
K-12 School	Alexander	Millersville Christian Academy	1	0	5	0	6	0
K-12 School	Bladen	Emereau Charter School	3	0	2	0	5	0
K-12 School	Burke	Icard Elementary School	9	0	3	0	12	0
K-12 School	Cabarrus	Faith Christian Academy	6	0	0	0	6	0
K-12 School	Craven	New Bern Christian Academy	6	0	4	0	10	0
K-12 School	Cumberland	Cornerstone Christian Academy	3	0	5	0	8	0
K-12 School	Cumberland	Freedom Christian Academy	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Durham	Bethesda Christian Academy	2	0	6	0	8	0
K-12 School	Durham	Liberty Christian Academy	6	0	20	0	26	0
K-12 School	Forsyth	Moore Magnet Elementary School	6	0	1	0	7	0

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			Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
K-12 School	Forsyth	Calvary Day School	3	0	17	0	20	0
K-12 School	Guilford	Wesleyan Christian Academy	9	0	15	0	24	0
K-12 School	Guilford	OakRidge Weekday School	2	0	3	0	5	0
K-12 School	Guilford	Greensboro Day School	1	0	9	0	10	0
K-12 School	Lenoir	Bethel Christian Academy	8	0	10	0	18	0
K-12 School	Lenoir	South Lenoir High School	3	0	5	0	8	0
K-12 School	Mecklenburg	Covenant Day School	0	0	7	0	7	0
K-12 School	Mecklenburg	Steele Creek Preparatory Academy	3	0	2	0	5	0
K-12 School	New Hanover	New Hanover Lyceum Program	1	0	4	0	5	0
K-12 School	Onslow	Living Water Christian School	6	0	15	0	21	0
K-12 School	Person	Helena Elementary School	4	0	2	0	6	0
K-12 School	Randolph	Level Cross Elementary School	4	0	1	0	5	0
K-12 School	Richmond	Fairview Heights Elementary	3	0	3	0	6	0
K-12 School	Rockingham	J.E. Holmes Middle School	4	0	2	0	6	0
K-12 School	Rowan	Rockwell Christian School	5	0	13	0	18	0
K-12 School	Sampson	Tarheel Challenge Academy	7	0	3	0	10	0
K-12 School	Wake	Raleigh Christian Academy	4	0	3	0	7	0
K-12 School	Wake	Wake Christian Academy	1	0	5	0	6	0
K-12 School	Wayne	North Drive Elementary	4	0	2	0	6	0

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

Previous Clusters*	Setting County	Facility	Staff		Children		Total	
			Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Child Care	Guilford	Sunshine House #125	2	0	3	0	5	0
Child Care	Person	Mother Goose Early Learning Center	4	0	1	0	5	0
K-12 School	Caldwell	Moravian Prep	1	0	5	0	6	0
K-12 School	Gaston	Gardner Park Elementary	5	0	1	0	6	0
K-12 School	Iredell	West Iredell Middle School	5	0	2	0	7	0
K-12 School	Lincoln	Combine Academy	0	0	5	0	5	0
K-12 School	Mecklenburg	Oakcrest Preparatory Academy	3	0	3	0	6	0
K-12 School	New Hanover	Coastal Christian High School	1	0	14	0	15	0
K-12 School	Yancey	Genesis Academy	4	0	1	0	5	0

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