



# HARTLAND CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

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Dear HCS Education Community:

## **Weekly COVID Update:**

Since my last update on September 9, 2021, the data shows:

**Livingston County Average Percentage of Positive Results for all Tested:** 10% (10.1% last week)

**Livingston County Average Number of Positive Cases Per Day:** 70.4 (51.1 last week)

**Livingston County Average Number of Positive Cases Per Week:** 493 (351 last week)

**Elementary Students in Quarantine Since Last Week:** CE = 2, LE = 24, RE = 3, VE = 0

**Grade 5-8 Students in Quarantine Since Last Week:** FIS = 29 and MS = 2

**High School / Alternative Education Students in Quarantine Since Last Week:** HS = 70

Currently, the county is seeing about 493 cases per week. The State of Michigan is showing a 9.6% positivity rate, 3,221 daily cases, and roughly 22,546 positive COVID cases per week. In the past week, I have been notified of positive or probable COVID cases at Lakes Elementary (3), Farms Intermediate (1), Middle School (3), Hartland High School (3) and District Employee (1). Please understand that a positive case does not necessarily mean a quarantine took place if the case was due to outside exposure, and the student was not in school.

**Note:** Data taken from <https://www.mistartmap.info/> and <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>

I am not sure how to decipher the data above. Are we seeing less quarantines because less children and employees are coming to school sick? Are we seeing less quarantines because families are keeping children home until all testing is complete for individuals in the home? Are parents keeping children home until they are at least 24 hours symptom-free? Whatever it is, thank you parents for monitoring, making the right decisions, and remaining vigilant. When you take the safe route, less children end up in quarantine. Again, thank you for your efforts. I was going to provide a step-by-step list of the quarantine options for ease of understanding the process. Unfortunately, the MDHHS 7-day option is being reviewed and could change so I will wait to make the adjustments.

## **Substitute Teachers and Bus Drivers Needed:**

If you know anyone interested in substitute teaching, please have them reach out to Mrs. Karen Ellis at 810-626-2106 to get enrolled. We also need bus drivers, 810-626-2175. Without new drivers we may have to periodically cancel routes as we did last year. We would rotate the canceled routes to limit disruption if possible.

Respectfully,

Chuck Hughes