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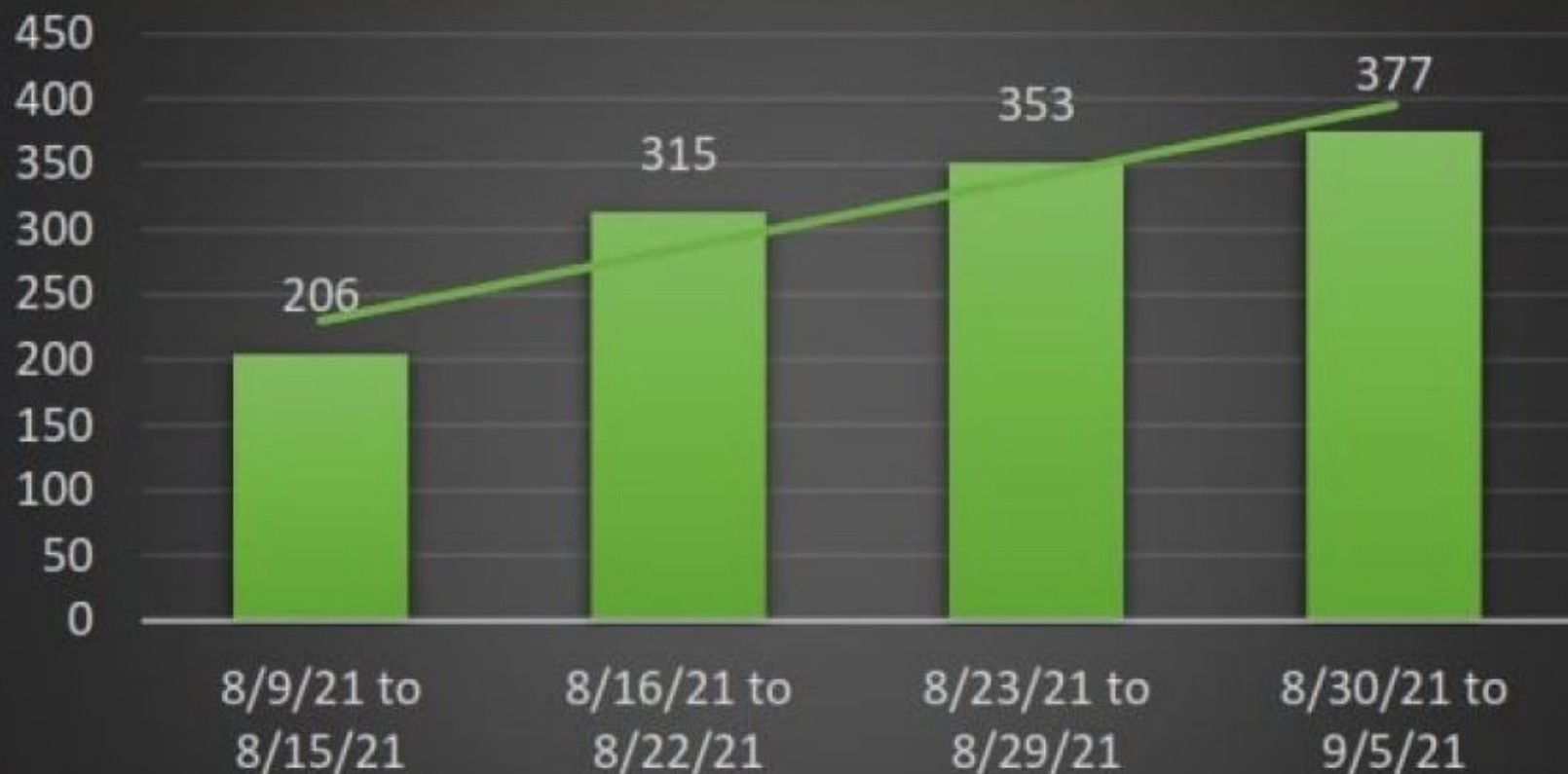
COVID-19 UPDATE

POSITIVE CASE COMPARISON - STUDENTS

BUILDING	2020-2021	2021-2022
THS	77	27
JR. HIGH	25	21
VAN CLEVE	8	20
CONCORD	15	11
COOKSON	6	19
FOREST	0	5
HEYWOOD	6	7
HOOK	4	7
KYLE	5	4
TOTAL	146	121

DAILY CASE AVERAGE	
2020-2021	2021-2022
169 DAYS	18 DAYS
0.9 PER DAY	6.7 PER DAY

New Cases Reported by Week in Miami County*



*source- <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/dashboards>

New Hospitalizations Reported by Week in Miami County*



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New Deaths Reported by Week in Miami County*



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Due to lag in death reporting, this data is from two to six weeks ago

COMMENTS FROM MCPH

“The current surge, caused by the Delta variant, is driving new daily cases to numbers higher than what they were a year ago. Hospitalizations are rapidly increasing, and an increase in deaths will likely follow.”

“We are seeing an increase in the number of children getting COVID, and while the percentage is lower than adults, more are being hospitalized.”

“Effective tools to help stop the spread of COVID:

- **Proper social distancing**
- **Wearing a mask while indoors & where social distancing isn't possible**
- **If you are eligible to get a vaccine”**

EFFECTS ON BUILDING ATTENDANCE

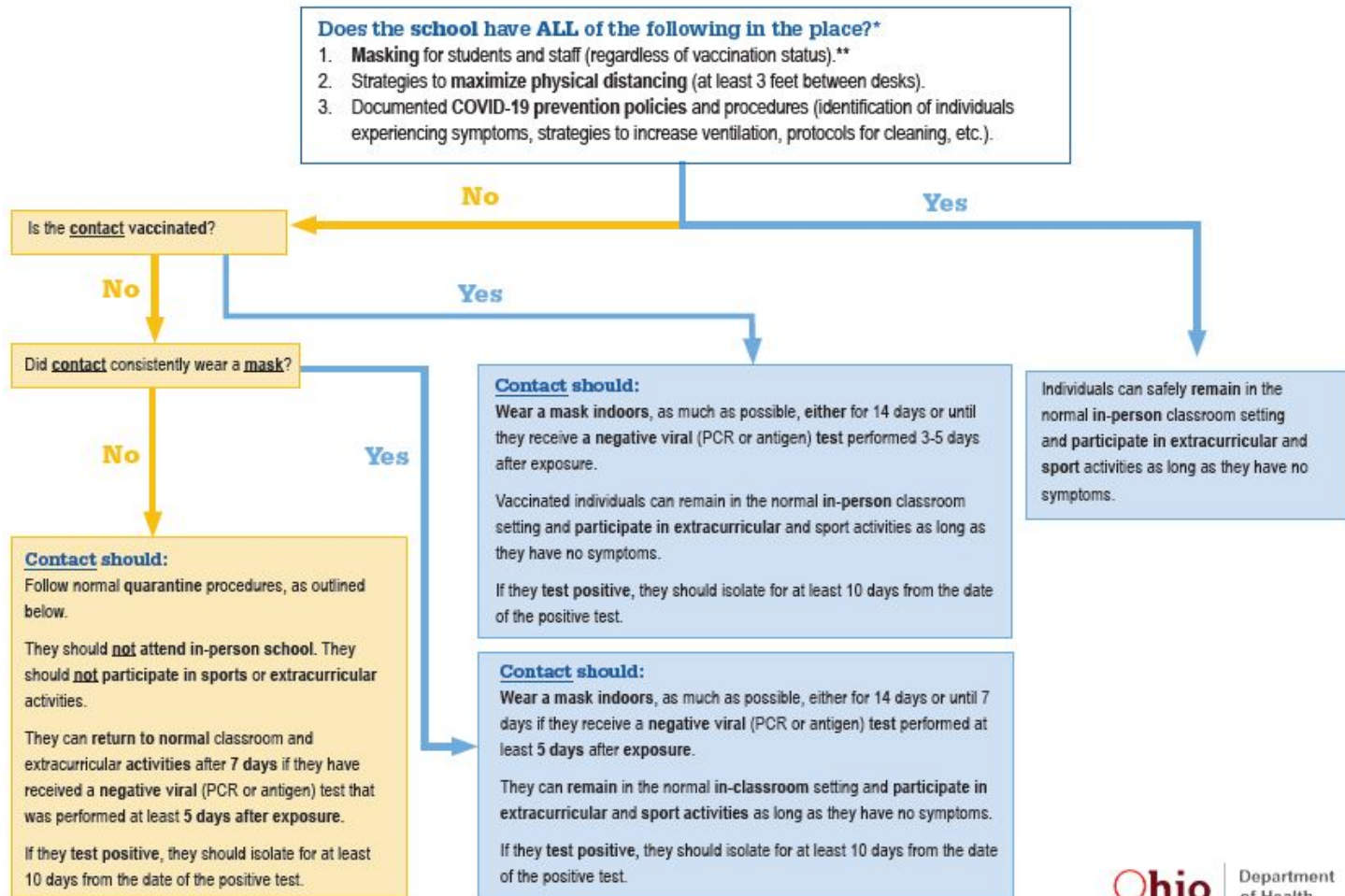
Building	pre 8/30	8/30	8/31	9/1	9/2	9/3	9/7	9/8	9/9
Concord Elementary	93%	86%	89%	91%	91%	89%	90%	90%	90%
Cookson Elementary	88%	79%	83%	83%	82%	77%	81%	81%	77%
Forest Elementary	92%	93%	91%	92%	87%	85%	87%	83%	84%
Heywood Elementary	95%	91%	89%	90%	90%	92%	92%	88%	88%
Hook Elementary	94%	95%	95%	98%	97%	90%	91%	91%	92%
Kyle Elementary	89%	82%	88%	88%	89%	88%	80%	90%	92%
Van Cleve Elementary	90%	83%	86%	84%	83%	81%	82%	83%	82%
Troy Junior High	94%	91%	90%	91%	90%	88%	88%	89%	89%
Troy High School	93%	91%	89%	92%	92%	90%	89%	89%	90%

Quarantine Numbers

- 276 students in quarantine last Thursday
- Van Cleve
 - 280 total students
 - 118 quarantined at some point this year (42%)
 - 18 COVID+ students
 - 12 “close contacts” have become COVID+

Guidelines for Quarantine After Exposure in K-12 Classroom Settings

This chart can help guide quarantine decisions after a student or adult contact is exposed to someone with COVID-19 in the classroom setting.



OHIO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ASSN. COMMENTS

“Almost 40% of the children in the ICU at Dayton Children’s Hospital have COVID-19”

“Clearly, COVID has changed with the delta variant, and we are seeing sicker and sicker children.”

“While initially the virus did not seem to have a severe effect on children, that is no longer true.”

“The delta variant is not only more contagious, it’s impacting kids at a fundamentally higher level.”

“There is overwhelming evidence that prove masks are effective and they help protect against respiratory viruses including COVID, We as adults have to allow kids to protect themselves. That’s what masks do.”

*** [LINK TO ARTICLE](#)**

ODH FINDINGS ON FACE MASK USE

“The Ohio Schools COVID-19 Evaluation, published Jan. 29, 2021, showed that children who were close contacts and appropriately masked had rates of COVID-19 that were similar to children with no known COVID-19 exposure in school.”

“Research supports that mask wearing has no significant adverse health effects for wearers.”

[*Link to ODH Document](#)

12 LARGEST DISTRICTS - MIAMI VALLEY

MIAMISBURG	REQUIRED	DAYTON	REQUIRED
NORTHMONT	REQUIRED	KETTERING	REQUIRED
SPRINGBORO	REQUIRED	LEBANON	REQUIRED
BEAVERCREEK	REQUIRED	FAIRBORN	REQUIRED
CENTERVILLE	REQUIRED	XENIA	REQUIRED
HUBER HEIGHTS	REQUIRED	TROY	NOT REQUIRED



September 13, 2021

Chris Piper
Superintendent
Troy City Schools
500 North Market Street
Troy, Ohio 45373

Dear Mr. Piper,

Miami County Public Health fully supports Troy City Schools in requiring students and staff to wear masks while in school. The correct use of masks is one way to protect staff and students from COVID 19 and to keep them in school safely.

As you are aware, the Delta variant has caused a surge in COVID-19 cases across the State of Ohio and in Miami County as well. Unfortunately, there has also been a surge of cases in our school age population. Since the beginning of the 2021 school year, Miami County is seeing case numbers for staff and students increase to over 100 cases per week. This is significantly higher than some of the highest weekly rates in 2020.

The use of masks has been shown to reduce the transmission of exhaled respiratory virus particles and can also provide some protection and filtration for the wearer. Studies suggest masks can reduce risk of virus transmission up to 70%. The CDC States, "Experimental and epidemiological data support community masking to reduce the spread of SARS-CoV-2." ([Science Brief: Community Use of Cloth Masks to Control the Spread of SARS-CoV-2 | CDC](#))

The use of masks not only protects students from infection but can also limit the number of days staff and students are out of school. By wearing a mask, a student may be able to avoid exposure to a positive case in school and therefore may not need to be excluded from school. Masks are an important part of keeping students in school safely.

MCPH understands that the decision to require masks in school is a difficult one, and unfortunately may be controversial to some members of the community and your school district. However, given the rising numbers of COVID cases, and the solid data that shows how effective masks can be, it is absolutely the correct decision. Miami County Public health fully endorses the use of masks and commends you for taking these steps to protect our students, our schools, and our community.

Sincerely,

Dennis R. Propes, REHS, MPA
Health Commissioner

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Health Commissioner**