COVID-19 Update: Governor DeWine Provides Update on COVID Exposure, Pediatric Vaccination Information

(COLUMBUS, Ohio)—Ohio Governor Mike DeWine today updated Ohioans about his recent COVID-19 exposure. The Governor cancelled public events through Sunday after he and First Lady Fran DeWine were exposed to COVID-19 by staff members who tested positive. Governor and Mrs. DeWine have tested negative for COVID-19 and will continue to test while monitoring for any symptoms.

AGES 5 TO 11 PEDIATRIC VACCINATIONS
More than 850 Ohio kids ages 5-11 have received the COVID-19 vaccine since the CDC and the FDA gave final authorization of the pediatric dose earlier this week.

Children may be vaccinated at many different types of providers, including local health departments, pediatricians, family physicians, community health centers, adult and children’s hospitals, and pharmacies. Parents should contact their provider to learn about vaccination opportunities or they can visit gettheshot.coronavirus.ohio.gov to find a provider or make an appointment.
VAX-2-SCHOOL UPDATE
The Ohio Vax-2-School program has expanded to include younger Ohioans with this new authorization. Ohioans aged 5-25, or their parents or guardians, can enter online at [ohiovax2school.com](http://ohiovax2school.com) once they have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. The program will award $2 million in scholarships, including 150 $10,000 scholarships and five $100,000 grand prize scholarships that can be used at an Ohio college, university, or career training opportunity.

The initial registration deadline is Sunday, Nov. 21. Full registration dates, rules, and information, as well as the registration portals, are available online at [www.ohiovax2school.com](http://www.ohiovax2school.com).

DEATHS DATA
The Ohio Department of Health reported that 1,264 Ohioans died of COVID-19 in October. The number may continue to increase as reports are received. To put this in perspective the number of individuals who died of COVID-19 was the sixth highest during the month of October than at any other point in the pandemic.

In October, at least 173 of these deaths occurred amongst people in their 50s. At least 78 of these deaths occurred amongst people in their 40s—and at least 28 of these deaths occurred amongst people in their 30s.

On average there are more than 41 Ohioans dying each day from COVID.
VACCINATION DATA
The best tool to fight the virus continues to be vaccination. Those who are not vaccinated should talk to their physician if they have questions and visit gettheshot.coronavirus.ohio.gov to find a vaccine provider.

Today, nearly 65 percent of Ohioans ages 12 and older are vaccinated and 67 percent of those 18 and above vaccinated. In October, 153,163 Ohioans chose to get vaccinated.

CASE DATA/VACCINE INFORMATION

In-depth COVID-19 data for Ohio: coronavirus.ohio.gov.

Ohio's central scheduling system: gettheshot.coronavirus.ohio.gov

All vaccine providers: vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov

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