
ORDER WITHDRAWING PARTIAL APPROVAL OF THE OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR
THE RESUMPTION OF IN-PERSON PROCEEDINGS AND JURY TRIALS IN
SHEBOYGAN COUNTY

WHEREAS: The Wisconsin Supreme Court in light of the COVID 19 pandemic has entered certain orders related to the operations of the Circuit Court regarding in person appearances and jury trials;

WHEREAS: On March 22, 2020, the Wisconsin Supreme Court ordered that although the courts of the State of Wisconsin remain open, all civil and criminal jury trials scheduled to begin before May 22, 2020 are continued and rescheduled by the assigned judge to a date after May 22, 2020;

WHEREAS: on March 22, 2020, and as amended on April 15, 2020, the Wisconsin Supreme Court suspended, until further order of the court, most in-person hearings in the circuit courts, subject to exceptions for certain matters, including those approved by the chief judges of each district, if remote technology is not practicable or adequate to protect constitutional rights of the citizens of Wisconsin;

WHEREAS: On March 31, 2020, the Wisconsin Supreme Court issued Interim Rule 20-02 which suspended statutory deadlines for conducting non-criminal jury trials until further order of the court;

WHEREAS: On May 22, 2020, the Wisconsin Supreme Court ordered that the March 22, 2020 order regarding the suspension of jury trials, that Interim Rule 20-02 regarding suspension of deadlines for non-criminal jury trials, and the April 15, 2020 amended order regarding remote hearings, are extended for each circuit court until that circuit shall have prepared an operational plan for the safe resumption of in-person proceedings and jury trials and the plan shall have been approved by the chief judge of the applicable administrative district;

WHEREAS: On May 22, 2020, the Wisconsin Supreme Court outlined the specific criteria required in each circuit court operational plan as to how that circuit court will conduct in-person proceedings and jury trials so as to reduce to the greatest extent possible the risk of transmission of the virus that causes COVID-19 and that promotes the health and safety of all those present in the courtrooms, jury rooms, and other court related confined spaces of that circuit court;

WHEREAS: On June 26, 2020 the Circuit Judges of Sheboygan County, submitted an operational plan which contains a statement regarding communication with local justice partners regarding the safe resumption of in-person proceedings and jury trials in that circuit court; a requirement that all persons who are present in the courtrooms, jury rooms, and other court-related confined spaces shall wear face coverings, except as authorized on the record by said judge; outlines practices for appropriate sanitation/ hygiene of frequently touched surfaces and the hands of participants; specifies that notices regarding face coverings and availability of hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes/ sprays in court-related areas will be appropriately posted and noticed; and incorporates many recommendations made in the Final Report of the Chief Justice's Task Force;

WHEREAS: On July 14, 2020 Chief Judge Barbara H. Key approved the Sheboygan County Circuit Court Operational Plan;

WHEREAS: On October 1, 2020 the Wisconsin Supreme Court ordered that if a circuit court determines changes in local conditions require a modification to the circuit court's approved operational plan, the circuit court shall submit information to the chief judge and the chief judge can withdraw approval of the operational plan as required to account for the changed conditions. Upon the chief judge's withdrawal of part or all of the operational plan, the circuit court shall again be subject to the provisions of the following Supreme Court orders:

1. In Re The Matter of Remote Hearings During the COVID-19 Pandemic (April 15, 2020)
2. In Re The Matter of Jury Trials During the COVID-19 Pandemic (March 22, 2020)
3. In the Matter of an Interim Rule re Suspension of Deadlines for Non-Criminal Jury Trials Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic (Interim Rule 20-02);

WHEREAS: On October 11, 2020 the Circuit Judges of Sheboygan County submitted a letter requesting partial withdrawal of their operational plan (attached);

THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED:

The operational plan of the Sheboygan County Circuit Court regarding procedures and practices for conducting jury trials and other in-person proceedings during the 2020 public health emergency and pandemic-COVID 19 is withdrawn in part. Specifically, the portion of the plan beginning on page 3 with the section titled "Phase 1" through Juror Deferral/Excuse policies on page 5 is hereby withdrawn. The remainder of the operational plan of Sheboygan County Circuit Court remains in effect.

The Sheboygan County Circuit Court is therefore subject to the provisions of the following Supreme Court orders:

1. In Re The Matter of Remote Hearings During the COVID-19 Pandemic (April 15, 2020)
2. In Re The Matter of Jury Trials During the COVID-19 Pandemic (March 22, 2020)

3. In the Matter of an Interim Rule re Suspension of Deadlines for Non-Criminal Jury Trials Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic (Interim Rule 20-02)

The Sheboygan County Circuit Court shall hold no in-person appearances, other than those enumerated in the letter request from the Sheboygan Judges, those subject to exception in the April 15, 2020 Supreme Court Order, or those otherwise approved by the Chief Judge.

The withdrawal of this portion of the operational plan of the Sheboygan County Circuit Court will expire upon approval of an amended operational plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provisions of this order shall be subject to further modification or termination by future orders.

Dated this 10/11/2020 day of October, 2020.



Honorable Barbara H. Key
Chief Judge, Fourth Judicial District

DANIEL J BOROWSKI
SHEBOYGAN COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit Court Branch 5
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October 11, 2020

Honorable Barbara Key
Chief Judge
Fourth Judicial District
415 Jackson Street
Oshkosh, WI 54901

RE: Suspension of the Sheboygan County Operational Plan

Dear Judge Key:

I write this letter with the authority and approval of the circuit court judges of Sheboygan County (collectively “judges”).

On October 9, 2020, the judges conducted an emergency meeting to address two reported cases of COVID-19 involving courthouse employees as well as the recent increase of COVID-19 in the Sheboygan County community. The goal of the meeting was to address the immediate measures which should be taken to protect courthouse personnel and the public from exposure to COVID-19 in the courthouse environment.

The meeting first addressed the reported cases of COVID-19 involving two courthouse employees. The judges discussed the immediate need to attempt to identify the source of the cases as well as the potential spread of COVID-19 from the identified personnel to others in the courthouse. The judges agreed that immediate efforts should be made to trace the origin of the cases, to the extent possible, to determine if the cases are isolated or reflective of a more significant spread within the courthouse itself.

The meeting next addressed the reported increase in cases of COVID-19 among the citizens of Sheboygan County. Statistical evidence from the Sheboygan County Division of Public Health confirms not only that the increase in COVID-19 cases is significant, but, equally important, is increasing in its magnitude as we move through October.

On September 9, 2020, Sheboygan County Division of Public Health reported 1194 confirmed cases of COVID-19. On October 9, 2020, the Division of Public Health reported 2,711 confirmed cases of COVID-19. This represents more than 127 percent increase in COVID-19 cases in the last 30 days. During the period from October 2, 2020 to October 9, 2020 alone, the Division of Public Health reported an increase of 540 confirmed cases. The reports of the

Division of Public Health confirming these statistics are attached.

Based on the recent adverse developments regarding COVID-19, the judges unanimously agreed to take the following immediate actions. First, the judges agreed to immediately suspend *all* jury trials in Sheboygan County until further notice. The judges concluded that jury trials pose the most significant risk of spread of COVID-19 due to the number of individuals coming into the courthouse and their physical proximity to courthouse personnel and other citizens.

Second, the judges agreed to suspend all in-person appearances in family and civil matters until further notice. The judges recognized that, with very limited exceptions, family and civil matters do not involve the liberty interests associated with criminal matters and are generally more amenable to being conducted remotely.

As it relates to criminal matters, the judges agreed that in-person appearances would be permitted with respect to those matters enumerated in Wis. Stat. § 971.04 in which a defendant has a right to be present in the same courtroom as the judge. The judges agreed, however, that all steps would be taken to encourage defense counsel and defendants to appear by remote means if at all possible. Criminal matters in which a defendant does not have a right to be present will be conducted remotely.

The judges realize that in-person appearances in criminal matters present a continued risk of spread of COVID-19. However, the judges believed, until presented with evidence to the contrary, that continued implementation of the practices under the County's reopening plan such as screening of all of those who enter the courthouse, mandatory face coverings, proper social distancing, use of hand sanitizer and frequent courtroom and courthouse cleaning will provide adequate protection for courthouse personnel and the public. Again, all of the judges will be encouraging remote appearances whenever possible.

The judges anticipate meeting with the County's COVID-19 committee as soon as reasonably possible to discuss the recent increase in COVID-19 cases in Sheboygan County the actions of the judges outlined in this letter, as well a long term plan to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the courthouse and to operate our courts safely. The judges do not rule out taking remedial actions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 within the courthouse environment, including further restricting personal appearances, if necessary.

On October 1, 2020, the Supreme Court issued an "Extension of Orders and Interim Rule concerning Continuation of Jury Trials, Suspension of Statutory Deadlines for Non-criminal Jury Trials and Remote Hearings During the COVID-19 Pandemic". The judges agreed that changes in local conditions modification to the approved operational plan for the indefinite future to allow the judges and the County to thoroughly investigate the reported cases in the courthouse and to address the significant increase of COVID-19 in the community.

The judges are requesting that you withdraw approval of the portion of the Sheboygan County operational plan beginning on page 3 with the section titled "Phase 1" through Juror Deferral/Excuse policies on page 5 as required to account for changed conditions.

Thank you for addressing the modification of the operational plan moving forward.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel J. Borowski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Daniel J. Borowski
Circuit Court Judge

Enclosures

cc: Honorable Edward Stengel
Honorable Kent Hoffmann
Honorable Angela Sutkiewicz
Honorable Rebecca Persick
Jon Bellows



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Sheboyan County COVID19 Status Update

DATE: 9/9/2020, 2:00pm CST

***We will be providing these updates Monday-Friday by 3pm.*

Current Situation Update*

Wisconsin Confirmed Case Count	83,334 (+857)
Sheboyan County Total Confirmed Case Count	1,194 (+34)
Sheboyan County ACTIVE Cases	87 (-11)
Sheboyan County RECOVERED Cases	1,097 (+45)
Sheboyan County COVID19 DEATHS	10
Sheboyan County Negative Tests Reported to Public Health	30,261 (+219)

**Confirmed Case Counts as of 2pm 9/9/2020*

[Sheboyan County Data Dashboard](#)

Case Updates and Monitoring:

Wisconsin State Cases:

- Information on most up to date case counts statewide can be found [here](#).

****Sheboyan Case Updates:**

- Sheboyan County currently has 1,194 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Of those, 1,097 cases have recovered and are no longer ill. Eight active cases are currently hospitalized.
- A total of 58 Sheboyan County confirmed cases have ever been hospitalized for COVID-19. This number can also see an increase because of people who are admitted and released on the same day, and may never be counted as a current hospitalization when our daily update is sent out.
- The parentheses after each number reflects the daily change.



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- 10 confirmed cases are deceased. One individual who passed is in the 40-49 age group, three are in the 60-69 age group, four are in the 70-79 age group, and two are in the 80+ age group.
- **Active cases** are defined as those individuals who are currently ill and requiring medical care or are in isolation.
- **Recovered cases** are defined as confirmed cases where at least 24 hours have passed since recovery, defined as resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications and improvement in symptoms, **AND** at least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.
- **Negative Tests** are defined as a COVID-19 test with a negative result that was reported to Public Health. For information on testing, see WI testing priorities and procedures section.
- ******Of the 34 confirmed cases reported today, 24 are associated with a facility-wide investigation at a group housing facility. Group housing facilities include correctional facilities, homeless shelters, dormitories, and group homes.
- Skilled Nursing Facilities are testing staff regularly. If positive cases are identified, Public Health will provide updates on the [Facility-Wide Investigations page](#) of our website.

Highlights of what is NEW in Today's Update

- Sheboygan Case Counts

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TODAY'S KEY COMMUNITY MESSAGING:

Testing Supply/Shortage Update:

- At this time, Sheboygan County Division of Public Health has been informed that our health care providers are receiving fewer COVID-19 testing supplies. National testing supplies are currently being diverted to other priority areas within the US. With testing supplies being redirected, we may see lower numbers of new positive cases.
- **IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS:**
 - Having a lower number of new positives may not mean that the spread of COVID-19 is slowing.
 - Public Health encourages anyone with symptoms to get tested. **HOWEVER**, if you are unable to get tested due to limited supply, it is important that you self-isolate if you are ill.
 - If you are able to get tested it is important you stay home until you get test results.



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- If you are looking for further testing information please contact your health care provider or visit the Division of Public Health's [Testing Webpage](#).

Sheboygan County Safe Restart Plan: **CURRENT PHASE: Phase Two**

- **Updated Friday September 4, 2020--** We will remain in Phase Two of our Safe Restart Plan. Please note, we review our progress towards our benchmark criteria, weekly on Fridays.
- [Sheboygan County Safe Restart Recommendations](#)
- [Sheboygan County Safe Restart Fact Sheet](#)

Sheboygan County School Risk Level Status Update: **CURRENT RISK-- High**

- [Sheboygan County School ReOpening and Operational Criteria for Consideration in Decision Making](#)

Resources

- [WisCon: Onsite Safety & Health Consultation](#)
 - The Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene's WisCon Program, as part of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Labor, currently offers on-site consultation services to assist Wisconsin employers in meeting the obligations and responsibilities covered under the federal Occupational Safety and Health Act.

Testing:

- [Oshkosh Regional Testing Site at Sunnyview Expo Center](#)
- If you have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you *must* quarantine yourself for 14 days after the exposure – *even* if your test result comes back negative for COVID-19 during the 14 day quarantine. This is because COVID-19 can take as long as 14 days to appear after being exposed to someone with COVID-19.

Mass Gatherings:

- [Mass Gatherings during COVID-19: Why Mass Gatherings and Events are NOT Recommended or Advised](#)

Facility-wide Investigations:

- [9/3/2020 Updated Investigations](#)
- Beginning last week a new category "Educational Facility" was added. This includes schools, colleges, universities, and child day care centers. 1 case in an educational facility prompts a facility-wide investigation.



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- [8/27/2020 Process for Publishing List of Schools with Open Facility-Wide Public Health Investigations](#)

Back to School Resources:

- We continue to work with Sheboygan County Schools to assist them with decision making for school reopening in the fall semester. In the absence of overall WI State DHS decision making guidance, Sheboygan County Division of Public Health developed a Decision Making Criteria below, for schools to use as one tool to consider their plans for reopen.
 - [Sheboygan County School ReOpening and Operational Criteria for Consideration in Decision Making](#)
 - [Letter of Explanation to School Administrators](#)
- Please routinely check and monitor our [school resource website](#) for the most recent resources on all things school related.
- [SASD Continues to Offer Meals During 2020-2021 School Year](#)
 - We will be offering FREE Grab N Go meals to ALL district students during the 2020-2021 School Year. Virtual Students who need meals should stop by one of the locations. Students who are attending in person classes are welcome to pickup meals after school.
 - Pickup Locations:
 - North High in the foyer to door 15
 - South High in the foyer to door 1
 - Pickup days: Monday through Friday (on scheduled school days)
 - Pickup time: 2:00pm-3:30pm
 - Cost of Meals: FREE
 - Who can pick up meals?: Students may pick up their own meals OR adults may pick up meals on behalf of children.

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Please watch for our local community updates through our [public health email](#), our [website](#), and [Facebook](#). If you have any immediate questions, please call 211 for general inquiries or contact the Sheboygan County Division of Public Health during business hours (Monday-Friday; 8:00 am - 5:00 pm) at 920-459-0321.*



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Sheboyan County COVID19 Status Update

DATE: 10/2/2020, 2:00pm CST

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Current Situation Update*

Wisconsin Confirmed Case Count	127,906 (+2,745)
Sheboyan County Total Confirmed Case Count	2,171 (+125) *81 of 125 are KMCI Inmates*
Sheboyan County ACTIVE Cases	238 (-1)
Sheboyan County RECOVERED Cases	1,469 (+44)
KMCI Inmate Confirmed Cases	445 (+81)
Sheboyan County COVID19 DEATHS	19 (+1)
Sheboyan County Negative Tests Reported to Public Health	40,191 (+503)

**Confirmed Case Counts as of 2pm 10/2/2020*

[Sheboyan County Data Dashboard](#)
[COVID-19: Mapped Cases by County](#)
[DOC COVID-19 Dashboard](#)

Case Updates and Monitoring:

Wisconsin State Cases:

- Information on most up to date case counts statewide can be found [here](#).

****Sheboyan Case Updates:**

- Sheboyan County currently has 2,171 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Of those, 1,469 cases have recovered and are no longer ill. Twelve active cases are currently hospitalized.
- A total of 87 Sheboyan County confirmed cases have ever been hospitalized for COVID-19.
- The parentheses after each number reflects the daily change.



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- ****19** confirmed cases are deceased. One individual who passed is in the 40-49 age group, two are in the 50-59 age group, four are in the 60-69 age group, six are in the 70-79 age group, and six are in the 80+ age group.
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- **Negative Tests** are defined as a COVID-19 test with a negative result that was reported to Public Health.
- Skilled Nursing Facilities are testing staff regularly. If positive cases are identified, Public Health will provide updates on the [Facility-Wide Investigations page](#) of our website.
- Kettle Moraine Correctional Institution is currently in a facility-wide investigation. The Wisconsin Department of Corrections does all follow-up for residents of correctional facilities. All cases are included in our total confirmed case count, but are **not** included in the Sheboygan County active or recovered case count. For more information on Department of Corrections active and recovered cases, please visit the [DOC COVID-19 Dashboard](#). Media requests for information on cases at KMCI can be directed to DOCMedia@wisconsin.gov

Highlights of what is NEW in Today's Update

- Sheboygan Case Counts
- Sheboygan County Safe Restart Benchmark Criteria
- Sheboygan County School Risk Level Status Update

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TODAY'S KEY COMMUNITY MESSAGING:

KMCI Update

As we have previously reported, Kettle Moraine Correctional Institution is currently experiencing a COVID-19 facility-wide investigation. The Sheboygan County Division of Public Health is working closely with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Wisconsin Department of Corrections, and KMCI.

We would like to be transparent about how the cases of KMCI inmates are counted. Public Health runs a daily report of all confirmed COVID cases in our county. It can take time for new cases to generate on



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this report which means our number can be different from the number of cases located on the [DOC COVID-19 Dashboard](#). Because we report new cases in each age group, we will only report KMCI cases as we receive the ages of new positives.

Beginning on September 29th, and continuing until this investigation is resolved, we will be reporting the number of KMCI inmate cases as a separate line in our daily report. These cases will NOT be counted in our active or recovered counts. This means that our active cases + recovered cases + KMCI inmate cases + deaths will equal our total confirmed case count number.

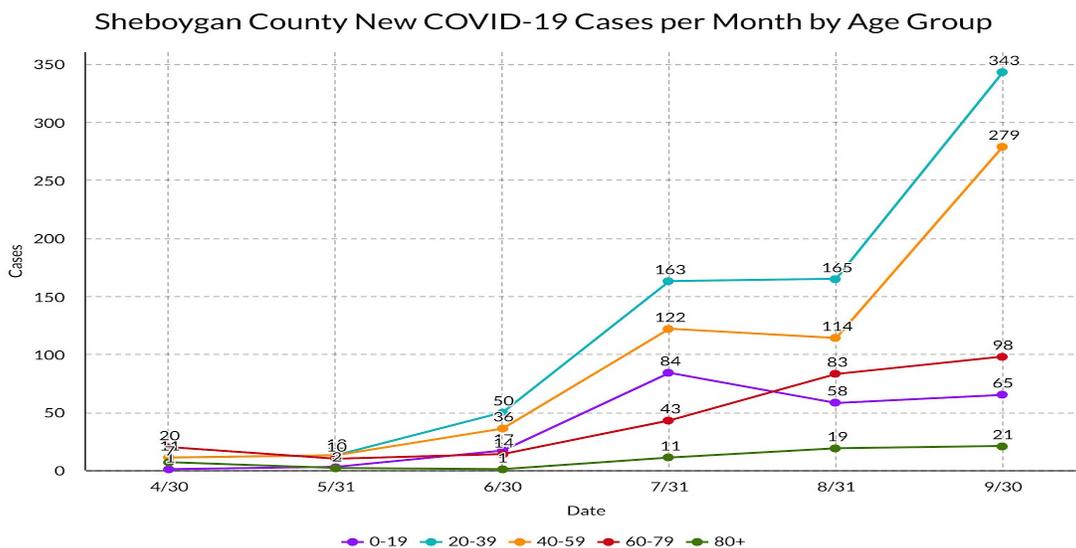
COVID positive KMCI employees are included in the total confirmed case count of the county in which they reside.

Negative tests for KMCI inmates are reported directly to the Department of Corrections. **DOC will report negative test numbers to Public Health and we will report those as we receive them.** For up to date information about active and recovered KMCI inmates, and negative tests please visit the [DOC COVID-19 Dashboard](#).

If you have a question or concern regarding this investigation please call Department of Corrections COVID19 hotline number at (608) 240-5700. Any media requests can be sent to DOCMedia@wisconsin.gov

Data for the Community

The below graph shows new cases of COVID-19 by age group for each month.





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Halloween in Sheboygan County

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- [Make It Safe, Keep It Fun Halloween 2020](#)
- [How to Trick-or-Treat Safely During COVID-19](#)

Sheboygan County Safe Restart Plan: **CURRENT PHASE: Phase Two

- **Updated Friday October 2nd, 2020--** We will remain in Phase Two of our Safe Restart Plan. Please note, we review our progress towards our benchmark criteria, weekly on Fridays.
- [Sheboygan County Safe Restart Recommendations](#)
- [Sheboygan County Safe Restart Fact Sheet](#)

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Sheboygan County Benchmark Criteria

Indicator	Metric	Status
Cases	Downward trajectory of positive cases of COVID-19 as a percentage of total tests in Wisconsin	●
Activity Level	WI DHS reporting of Sheboygan County's Activity Level (calculated combination of burden and trajectory)	●
Testing	Testing availability for all residents with COVID-19 like symptoms, with priority toward vulnerable populations	●
Care	Hospitals have ability to treat all patients requiring hospitalization without resorting to crisis standards	●
PPE	Adequate PPE available to health care personnel	●
Tracing	Every resident who tests positive for COVID-19 is interviewed within 24 hours of test results, COVID-19 positive contacts are interviewed within 48 hours of test results	●

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****Sheboygan County School Risk Level Status Update: CURRENT RISK-- High**

- [Sheboygan County School ReOpening and Operational Criteria for Consideration in Decision Making](#)

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Sheboygan County School Risk Status

Indicator	Metric	Status
Epidemiology	Downward trajectory of positive cases of COVID-19 as a percentage of total tests in Wisconsin	●
	WI DHS reporting of Sheboygan County's Activity Level (calculated combination of burden and trajectory)	
	Testing availability for all residents with COVID-19 like symptoms, with priority toward vulnerable populations	
Health Care	Hospitals have ability to treat all patients requiring hospitalization without resorting to crisis standards	●
	Adequate PPE available to health care personnel	
Public Health	Every resident who tests positive for COVID-19 is interviewed within 24 hours of test results, COVID-19 positive contacts are interviewed within 48 hours of test results	●

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Risk Level = HIGH




Testing:

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Facility-wide Investigations:

- [10/1/2020 Updated Investigations](#)

Emergency Orders



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- [State Emergency Order #2: Order to Aid our Healthcare Facilities to Provide Treatment to Wisconsinites Impacted by COVID-19](#)

Resources

- DHS released new data dashboards that will be updated every Wednesday by 4pm. Additional metrics including testing will be added in coming weeks.
 - [Disease Activity Dashboard by region and county](#)
 - [Hospital Capacity Dashboard by region](#)
 - [Percent Positive Graphs](#)
 - [COVID-19 cases by school-age children dashboard](#)

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Sheboyan County COVID19 Status Update

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Current Situation Update*

Wisconsin Confirmed Case Count	144,818 (+2,988)
Sheboyan County Total Confirmed Case Count	2,711 (+152) *60 of 152 are KMCI Inmates*
Sheboyan County ACTIVE Cases	364 (+53)
Sheboyan County RECOVERED Cases	1,695 (+39)
KMCI Inmate Confirmed Cases	632 (+60)
Sheboyan County COVID19 DEATHS	20 (+0)
Sheboyan County Negative Tests Reported to Public Health	42,879 (+209)

**Confirmed Case Counts as of 2pm 10/9/2020*

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Case Updates and Monitoring:

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****Sheboyan Case Updates:**

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- A total of 97 Sheboyan County confirmed cases have ever been hospitalized for COVID-19.
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- Testing
 - [Sheboygan County Recurring National Guard Testing Site](#)

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TODAY'S KEY COMMUNITY MESSAGING:

Explanation of Order #3:

On 10/6/2020, Governor Evers directed Wisconsin Department of Health Services to issue [Emergency Order #3: Limiting Public Gatherings](#). See [Frequently Asked Questions](#). Wisconsin is now a COVID-19 hotspot. It had the third highest number of new cases in the past seven days, with only California and Texas having more new cases. Wisconsin must use all its tools, including keeping people physically apart and wearing face coverings, to slow this dangerous spike.

**In places that are open to the public:

- Indoor public gatherings are limited to NO MORE than 25% of the total occupancy limits for the room or building. This directive is enforceable by civil forfeiture.



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****Exemptions to these limits include:**

- 4k-12 schools, colleges, universities
- child care settings
- health care facilities
- human services facilities
- public infrastructure (such as food production)
- federal, state, and local government
- places of religious worship
- rallies or demonstrations as protected by the First Amendment.
- The order goes into effect at 8:00am on Thursday, October 8 and will remain in effect for two incubation periods (The incubation period for COVID-19, which is the time between exposure to the virus and symptom onset, is on average 5-6 days, however can be up to 14 days. WHO, 2020) of COVID-19, which will end November 6, 2020.

NOTE: This order does not shut down anything. Instead, it just prevents situations where there are too many people in a single indoor public space at one time:

- For businesses, the order only applies to indoor spaces that are accessible to the public, such stores, bars, restaurants, and office lobbies.
- This order does not apply to a business's outdoor space, such as patios or outdoor dining areas.
- This order also does not apply to a business's indoor space if the indoor space is not accessible to the public. For example, most factories, warehouses, storage areas, office areas because they are only accessible to employees or allowed guests.

Sheboygan County Public Health COVID-19 Emergency Alert

- [10/6/2020 Sheboygan County COVID-19 Response: EMERGENCY ALERT](#)
- [10/7/2020 Sheboygan County Alert, Further Data and KMCI Explanation](#)

Emergency Orders

- Gov. Evers and Secretary Designee Palm have issued [Emergency Order #3](#) to limit the capacity of public gatherings. This order shall become effective at 8:00 a.m. on October 8, 2020. This order shall remain in effect for two incubation periods of COVID-19, which will end November 6, 2020.

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Sheboygan County Safe Restart Plan: **CURRENT PHASE: Phase Two

- **Updated Friday October 9th, 2020--** We will remain in Phase Two of our Safe Restart Plan. Please note, we review our progress towards our benchmark criteria, weekly on Fridays.
- [Sheboygan County Safe Restart Recommendations](#)
- [Sheboygan County Safe Restart Fact Sheet](#)

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Sheboygan County Benchmark Criteria

Indicator	Metric	Status
Cases	Downward trajectory of positive cases of COVID-19 as a percentage of total tests in Wisconsin	●
Activity Level	WI DHS reporting of Sheboygan County's Activity Level (calculated combination of burden and trajectory)	●
Testing	Testing availability for all residents with COVID-19 like symptoms, with priority toward vulnerable populations	●
Care	Hospitals have ability to treat all patients requiring hospitalization without resorting to crisis standards	●
PPE	Adequate PPE available to health care personnel	●
Tracing	Every resident who tests positive for COVID-19 is interviewed within 24 hours of test results, COVID-19 positive contacts are interviewed within 48 hours of test results	●

Excellent

Proceed with Caution

Of Concern

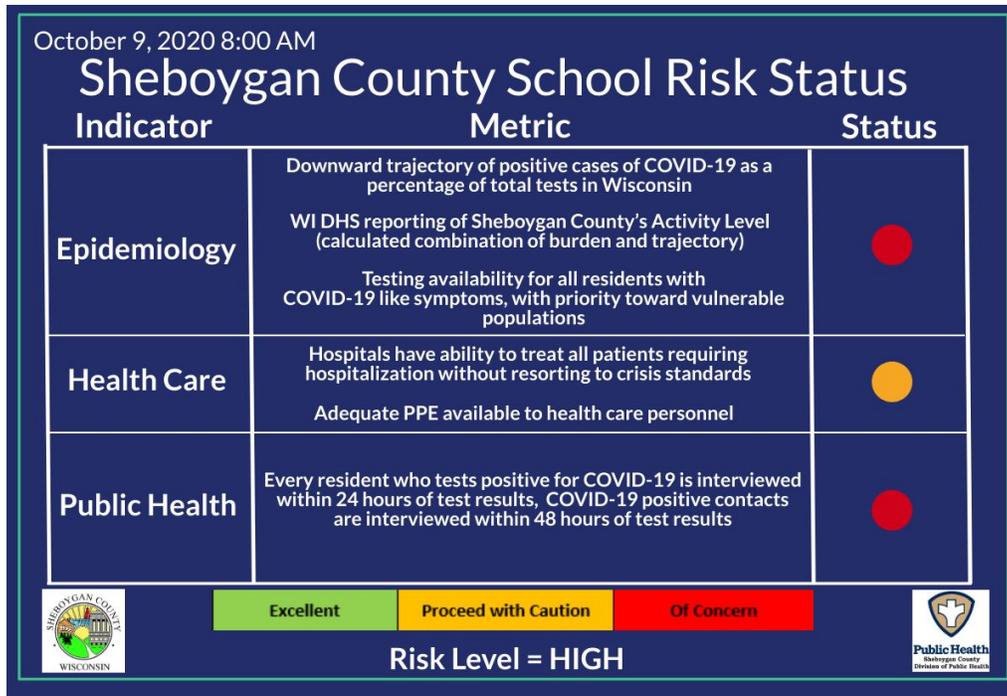
Sheboygan County School Risk Level Status Update: **CURRENT RISK-- High

- [Sheboygan County School ReOpening and Operational Criteria for Consideration in Decision Making](#)



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Testing:

- [**Sheboygan County Recurring National Guard Testing Site](#)
- [Testing Options](#)
- [Oshkosh Regional Testing Site at Sunnyview Expo Center](#)
- If you have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you **must** quarantine yourself for 14 days after the exposure – **even** if your test result comes back negative for COVID-19 during the 14 day quarantine. This is because COVID-19 can take as long as 14 days to appear after being exposed to someone with COVID-19.

Facility-wide Investigations:

- [10/8/2020 Updated Investigations](#)

Resources

- [I Tested Positive for COVID](#) - Public Health is contacting all positive cases as soon as possible. Because of increased cases in our community, that can take several days.
- DHS released new data dashboards that will be updated every Wednesday by 4pm. Additional metrics including testing will be added in coming weeks.
 - [Disease Activity Dashboard by region and county](#)



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- [Hospital Capacity Dashboard by region](#)
- [Percent Positive Graphs](#)
- [COVID-19 cases by school-age children dashboard](#)

***All of the information that is removed from the update after 1 week can be found on the website**
Please watch for our local community updates through our [public health email](#), our [website](#), and [Facebook](#). If you have any immediate questions, please call 211 for general inquiries or contact the Sheboygan County Division of Public Health during business hours (Monday-Friday; 8:00 am - 5:00 pm) at 920-459-0321.*