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Ohio K-12 Schools COVID-19 Resource Guide

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The following resources may be of assistance to Ohio K-12 school districts in gathering pertinent information about and addressing issues related to Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Recent Developments

Governor DeWine announces a <u>\$300M reduction in K-12 Foundation funding</u> as part of State budget cuts. <u>Data released by</u> the Office of Budget and Management details of the reductions on a district-by-district basis.

Ohio Department of Health issues a <u>Stay Safe Ohio Order</u>, reopening some businesses and extending the prior "stay at home" order, and <u>a Seconded Amended Order on K-12 School Closures</u>, extending the closures through June 30, 2020.

Ohio Department of Education (ODE) issues FAQs on <u>student graduation requirements</u>, <u>third grade reading guarantee</u> and <u>career-technical education</u>, as well as additional information on <u>early learning and school readiness</u> and guidance on <u>graduation ceremonies</u>.

ODE extends <u>deadline</u> for completion of policies for students at risk of not graduating and for individual graduation plans until September 30, 2020, under authority of Am. Sub. House Bill 197.

Client Insights

Selected Publications

- <u>The CARES Act: What Does it Mean for Your School District</u> (April 24, 2020)
- <u>Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act: What Is in It</u> for US Education (March 27, 2020)
- H.B. 197 The State of Ohio's Emergency Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic: Impact on Ohio K-12 Schools (March 26, 2020)
- <u>Ohio Stay at Home Order as Applied to Schools and Other Public</u> <u>Employers (US)</u> (March 23, 2020)

Selected Webinars

- H.B. 197 The State of Ohio's Emergency Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic: Impact on Ohio K-12 Schools (March 27, 2020)
- Addressing Coronavirus Practically and Legally: What US
 Employers Need to Know (March 16, 2020)
- Addressing COVID-19 Practically and Legally Part Two: What US Employers Need to Know (March 23, 2020)

Governmental Orders

- Order of Ohio Director of Health: Amended Order that All Persons Stay at Home Unless Engaged in Essential Work or Activity (April 2, 2020)
- Order of Ohio Director of Health: Amended Order for Closure of All <u>K-12 Schools in the State of Ohio</u> (March 30, 2020)

Administrative Information and Other Resources

Ohio Department of Education:

- Remote Learning Resource Guide (April 1, 2020)
- <u>Coronavirus (COVID-19) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) for</u> <u>School Building Closures</u>
- <u>Coronavirus (COVID-19) Information for Ohio's Schools</u> and Districts

Ohio Department of Health:

• Coronavirus (COVID -19) Resources

US Department of Education:

 Coronavirus and Forbearance Info for Students, Borrowers, and Parents

US Department of Labor:

• Families First Coronavirus Response Act: Employer Paid Leave Requirements

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

 <u>Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Frequently</u> <u>Asked Questions</u>

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