

MARK HACKEL, MACOMB COUNTY EXECUTIVE



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Good afternoon,

Back in December, when vaccines started rolling out and we were finally able to start vaccinating our most vulnerable front line workers and the elderly, I was hopeful that we were turning a corner in our battle against the Coronavirus.

Now, increases in positive cases and hospitalizations – especially for those between the ages of 20 and 39 – are especially concerning. Our Public Health professionals connect this to a number of factors, including the new variants which are thought to be more contagious.

Now, more than ever, we need to continue to practice safety protocols to keep the virus at bay until more people can be vaccinated.

Together, we can put the pandemic behind us.

Thank you and take care,

Mark

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Macomb County Executive

Important Things to Know

[Michigan](#) added 8,015 new cases of COVID-19 and 30 deaths Wednesday as the state continues to lead the nation in new cases by population. The state's 471 cases per 100,000 people leads the nation, surpassing New Jersey at 335 cases per 100,000 people and New York City at 307 cases per 100,000 people, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. This is a concern - even as the number of individuals receiving vaccinations has grown. Please remember to continue practicing COVID-19 safety protocols, including

wearing a mask, washing your hands, social distancing, avoiding large groups of people and getting **tested**.



COVID-19 TESTING PARTNERS

LOCATION	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.
MACOMB COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT <i>CLINTON TWP.</i>	X	X	X	X	X
MYCARE HEALTH <i>CENTER LINE</i>	X		X		X
ALL GOD'S PEOPLE CHURCH <i>ROSEVILLE</i>		X	X	X	
MOUNT CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH <i>WARREN</i>			X	X	X
WARREN CITY HALL <i>WARREN</i>				X	
FOR OTHER LOCATIONS, VISIT MACOMBGOV.ORG					

The CDC states that travel increases your chances of getting and spreading COVID-19. Even though it's Spring Break, they recommend that you do not travel at this time. However, if you do go somewhere, please consider this **safety guidance**.

Everyone aged 16* and up in Michigan is now eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine. To find where to be vaccinated, visit macombgov.org/vaccinecentral. Appointments for a Macomb County vaccine clinic can be made **online here**. New appointments are added to the online scheduler on a daily basis. Please check back frequently. *Note: Only the Pfizer vaccine has been approved for individuals age 16 & 17. Individuals in this age group must make an appointment at the Verkuilen Building only and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.*



A CDC Vax Fact: You should get a COVID-19 vaccine even if you've already had COVID-19. Experts don't know how long you're protected from COVID-19 after you recover. It's possible – but rare – that you could be reinfected with the virus that causes COVID-19.

[More vaccine facts.](#)

Are you — or someone you care about — turning to alcohol or other substances to cope with COVID-19 stressors? If you could benefit from the emotional support of others in your situation, register for a virtual support group focused on substance use issues, hosted by Michigan's Stay Well counseling team. Sign up for one or more sessions by [clicking here](#). You'll get a confirmation email with information to join the meeting.

STAY WELL

Support groups for people
using substances to cope
with pandemic stress

Register now for April 9, 16, and 23 at 4 p.m.

STAY WELL
Michigan.gov/StayWell

After more than a week of voting, the county yesterday announced the winner of its first-ever Mac Madness: Best Mac in the Mac contest! It came down to a final face-off between Simple Palate Restaurant in Warren and Sherwood Brewing Company in Shelby Township. After hundreds of votes, it was determined that this year's champion is Sherwood Brewing Company! Find all contest entries so you can get out and do your own taste test by [clicking here](#).

Executive Mark Hackel has been regularly sharing video updates with Macomb County residents on YouTube and social media. Click on the link below for the latest updates.



[COVID-19 Update with Executive Hackel - April 2](#)

In the News

Michigan gets \$90.2 million from CDC for COVID-19 vaccine efforts. [Read more.](#)

CDC says they have 'teams on the ground' in Michigan to assess COVID surge. [Read more.](#)

Young people are driving the latest Covid-19 surge, especially in Michigan. [Read more.](#)

In Michigan's latest coronavirus surge, there's a new kind of patient. [Read more.](#)

Helpful Information and Resources

The Macomb County Emergency Operations Center and Department of Health continue to lead local efforts to respond to the ever-evolving nature of COVID-19 pandemic. For the latest COVID-19 data, news and information, click on the buttons below for helpful resources available to you.



Stay Informed

If you have questions about COVID-19, please call the Macomb County Health Department helpline at 586-463-3750. The helpline is open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For the latest information from Macomb County regarding COVID-19, please visit macombgov.org/covid19.

