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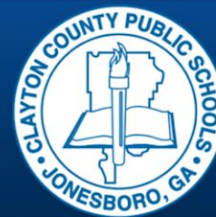
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## **Clayton County Public Schools Establishes COVID-19 Dashboard**

**JONESBORO** - The Clayton County Public School (CCPS) System is committed to providing accurate and transparent information regarding COVID-19 as it affects our school district. As a result of this commitment, CCPS is proud to announce that the district has created a Coronavirus Dashboard on the district website ([www.clayton.k12.ga.us](http://www.clayton.k12.ga.us)).

Established to report data from the state, county, and district level, the CCPS Coronavirus Dashboard indicates the number of positive cases among Clayton County residents and district students and staff as officially confirmed and reported to the district. This data will be updated weekly using a 5-day (Monday-Friday) reporting period time frame.

“Since the onset of the pandemic, our school district has operated and made decisions that we feel have placed the safety of our employees, students, and community members at the forefront,” said Dr. Morcease J. Beasley, Superintendent/CEO of Schools. “These decisions have been made based on feedback from stakeholders and data provided by local, state and national health organizations. As we continue to operate with transparency, we are proud to present this data dashboard to our stakeholders and allow them to see an accurate representation of COVID-19 cases in our community and provide an inside look at the data that we continue to use to determine the next steps for our school system.”

A key feature of the dashboard is the threshold line at the 100 reported positive cases per 100,000 for Clayton County residents using a 14-day trend. This threshold line marks the data point (total number of positive cases or fewer) district officials will utilize to determine when/if the district will return for face to face instruction. Clayton County Public Schools is monitoring for consistent cases below 100 per 100,000 Clayton County Residents. Additional features of the Clayton County Public Schools COVID-19 Dashboard include two-week data trends that represent reported cases per 100,000 for Clayton County residents provided by the Georgia Department of Public Health, total numbers of positive COVID-19 staff and student cases since July 2020, the total number of positive Clayton County cases since July, a glossary of COVID specific terms, frequently asked questions and more!

“While it has already been determined that we will remain in a virtual setting through the first semester, the data represented on the dashboard will help guide our work in determining the best steps moving forward,” added Dr. Beasley, “ I am exceptionally proud of the collaborative efforts between internal departments to create such a robust tool to inform our stakeholders,” he concluded.

### **About Clayton County Public Schools**

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by AdvancED – Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 55,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the fifth largest school system in Georgia.

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