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Regional may be classified as "high risk"

Health Department to set Cape, Atlantic COVID status level

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Rising COVID-19 cases may be pushing the state of New Jersey into the "high risk" level for community transmission of the coronavirus. If that were to happen, the state would notify counties and local health departments of the status today (Wednesday).

"At the high risk" level, schools would be told to "consider implementation of fully remote learning," according to the New Jersey Department of Health.

According to a letter dated Monday, Nov. 23, the Cape May County Department of Health has been told by the state that the county about the "high risk" status. Taylor noted that the state's decision will determine the status today (Wednesday).

The state has divided New Jersey into regions to report trends with the coronavirus.

The Southeast Region includes Cape May, Atlantic and Cumberland counties.

The state DOH issued COVID-19 recommendations, when schools are in the high risk level. It says that there recommended that they implement fully remote learning.

State DOH recommendations

"Schools in other risk levels should consult with their local health depart- ments as they work to.

Schools are required to report any staff and students to stay home sick or in close contact with someone with COVID-19 in the past 14 days. School DOHs are required to notify the state department of health.

"Schools should develop a policy for daily symptom screening for students and staff, have plans for students and staff to report any symptoms that may appear," the letter said.

"Identify rapid testing resources when staff and students develop COVID-19 symptoms.

Schools should:

- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at least daily
- Wear face coverings.
- Installation of partitions and physical measures such as reducing occupancy," the letter said.

Cape May County record

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