



ASHLAND COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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NEWS RELEASE

The Ashland County Health Department (ACHD) provides the following COVID-19 local data for Ashland County as such: 168 positive cases, of which 163 are confirmed and 5 are probable. Of these cases, only 3 are active, 160 recovered and there are 5 deaths. There are currently no hospitalizations of an Ashland County resident due to COVID-19. The health department is monitoring 109 individuals due to their exposure to the virus; many of which are associated with the statewide National Guard testing of long-term care facilities. For the active cases, all 3 are experiencing mild symptoms.

“The current data shows a change of 2 new positive cases from the previous week. This is a very low number for our county and is evidence that our community is doing the right things”, stated Heather Reffett, the Ashland County Health Commissioner. “Thank you to everyone who is wearing a mask to protect their loved ones and neighbors.”

This week, the week of August 31st, the health department would like to recognize its third “Business Hero of the Week”. The distinction is given to Lyn-Way in Ashland.

Rob Stoops, the Lyn-Way Restaurant owner, shared that, “We have implemented several steps to protect our employees and customers. Now customers have to have a mask on before entering the building due to the mask mandate and we have them sanitize their hands before they go to their table. We have social distancing signs all around the dining room and have spaced out our dining room to the six feet rule. We also clean and sanitized our tables and booths before anyone is sat down. Signs have been placed on the tables so that every customer can see what exactly we have done to provide them with all information. All of our front employees are wearing a mask, and cashiers are wearing gloves when taking money. We have posted signs at all of our doors to inform the customers what we are doing before they enter.”

When asked by ACHD to provide special recognition to any staff members that are going above and beyond, Mr. Stoops provided that, “All my boys and girls are out front working hard on these new terms. Also, my front end hostesses and cashiers make sure that the front of the house is very clean and sanitized. Really every one of my employees are working hard everyday to make the Lyn-Way the safest place in town!”

Additional information about COVID-19 is available at the ODH website, www.coronavirus.ohio.gov. ODH also staffs a Call Center 7 days a week from 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. The number is 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).

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