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Ohio Department of Health Releases Halloween Guidance

Guidance posted on coronavirus.ohio.gov urges caution and planning ahead amid COVID-19 pandemic

COLUMBUS – Lance D. Himes, interim director of the Ohio Department of Health, has released Halloween guidance at <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/responsible/celebrating-halloween.pdf>, urging all Ohioans to use caution and plan ahead for celebrating Halloween amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

Decisions on whether to participate in Halloween festivities should be made by local communities, individuals, and parents/guardians.

Always follow current state public health orders and rules/regulation established by your local community, and check the Ohio Public Health Advisory System at <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/public-health-advisory-system/> to determine COVID-19 risk levels in your county before making decisions about Halloween activities. Some communities may choose to cancel Halloween festivities, so check with local sources before making plans.

This guidance is designed to help curb the spread of COVID-19. It will be reassessed and updated as the situation evolves and more is learned in the weeks leading up to Halloween.

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