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Cayuga County COVID-19 Situational Update as of 4:00pm

New Cases

Wednesday, April 21, 2021 – eighteen new cases completed

Thursday, April 22, 2021 – eleven new cases completed

Active Cases in Mandatory Isolation

146 Mandatory Isolation

Confirmed Cases – total since March 18, 2020

There have been 5,839 cases of COVID-19 in Cayuga County.

Hospitalizations

Today there are five COVID-19 related hospitalizations at Auburn Community Hospital.

Deaths

There have been 89 total Cayuga County deaths related to COVID-19.

Additional Information

As an attachment to today's press release is a bar chart which illustrates the percentage of COVID-19 cases by age group in Cayuga County from April 14, 2021- April 21, 2021.

The majority of the younger individuals that have been recently identified as COVID positive cases are those who spend a great deal of their time in a school setting and most have been symptomatic. Symptoms among these school-aged children that are being experienced are sore throat, congestion and runny nose, all of which can be easily confused for allergies. Thank you to all school personnel and parents who have recognized these symptoms. We continue to ask that if you or your children are experiencing any of these symptoms to not go to work, do not send your child to school and seek testing through your health care provider and urgent care centers.

In addition, the uptick in cases in among school-aged children is also due to the increased number of those now involved in in-person learning. This also increases the risk of exposure, which will subsequently result in the number of people being quarantined.

This virus is very contagious in nature and we've seen several outbreaks due to people gathering together or riding in the same vehicle with non-household members unmasked. Please continue to practice preventive behaviors such as wearing face covers around people you do not live with, social distance, stay home when you are ill, wash your hands and get vaccinated.
