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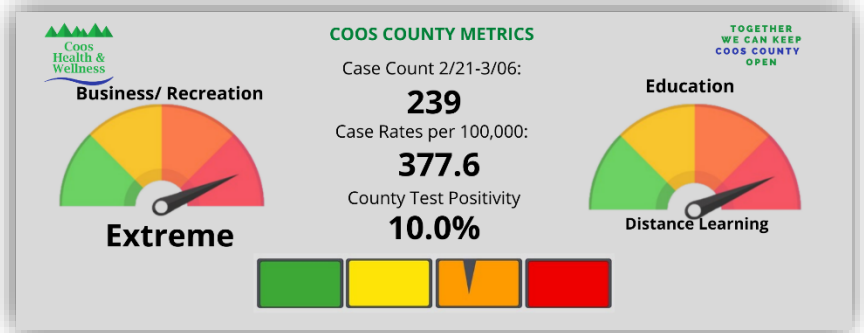
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE **Coos County Risk Metrics**

Coos Health & Wellness is working hard to keep you informed on the status of COVID-19 guidelines in Coos County. We will continue to provide updates every Tuesday that review the most recent metrics and status released by Oregon Health Authority on Mondays.

Based on Monday, March 8th metrics, Coos County will be continuing in Extreme Risk Guidelines. These levels will be effective till March 25, 2021. The next opportunity for Coos County to change risk categories will be based on the Risk Category determined by Oregon Health Authority on March 22nd. If you have specific question on guidance for each risk level you can go [HERE](#).

Our graphic now provides an update on school metrics as well as county metrics. School and business metrics are different. Business metrics are guided by the Governor's Office and the Oregon Health Authority and [school metrics](#) are guided by the Oregon Department of Education [Ready Schools Safe Learners](#) guidance. Schools have strong protocols that have increased protections so that students can return to school in person safely. Oregon Health Authority releases the metric data every Monday using a two week "look back" period. This allows communities, and Oregon Health Authority, to see case numbers on which decision are based to increase or decrease our county's safety guidelines.



We are asking that you follow the guidelines such as social distancing, wearing a face covering in public and using good hand hygiene to help keep our case counts low. If you have any questions regarding COVID-19, please visit our website [HERE](#) for the most recent guidance, or email us at covid19.questions@chw.coos.or.us.

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