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## The Safety Scoop

A publication of the Safety Council of Southwestern Ohio to save lives and prevent injury through education and partnerships.

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### Back to School during a Pandemic

The coronavirus outbreak has caused major disruptions to daily life and children are feeling these changes deeply. While the return to school will be not only welcome but exciting for many students, others will be feeling anxious or frightened. Here are tips to help your children navigate some of the complicated emotions they may be facing with going back to school.

***How parents can help their children navigate their feelings during school reopenings.***



[Supporting Your Child's Mental Health While Returning to School During Covid-19](#)

Sign up to receive KNOW! parent tips

The Coalition for a Healthy Middletown works to provide knowledge and skills to increase the number of those parenting for prevention. All parents and guardians are encouraged to sign up and be in the KNOW. Click the link above to receive their newsletters.

### Next Monthly Occupational Safety Meeting:

Wednesday, August 26, noon

Virtual via Zoom

**Topic: Covid-19 & Your Employees**

The August meeting will be the start of this year's virtual safety meetings via Zoom. We will virtually host speakers on a wide variety of topics that will help employers reduce injuries and illness in the workplace. We will continue to keep the sessions informative and engaging and offer door prizes to participants. We look forward to continuing to serve your safety education needs.

Zoom Link to Monthly Meetings

## Reduce Your Risks In the Workplace:

# COVID-19 Resources

We encourage you to share this information as broadly as possible. Although this is by far not an exhaustive list of all the resources available to businesses, it provides a lot of information and resource links compiled in one location. It includes a list of general COVID-19 resources grouped by agency, a section with resources on reopening workplaces, and additional industry-specific section. If you have additional resources we can share with others please let us know.

## COVID-19 Resources

### Drugged Driving -- What You Should Know

In 2016, 44 percent of drivers in fatal car crashes (with known results) tested positive for drugs, according to the report entitled "[Drug-Impaired Driving: Marijuana and Opioids Raise Critical Issues for States](#)" by the Governors Highway Safety Association. This is up from 28 percent in 2006 (*a number we know has increased again in the last four years by reviewing local crash statistics from 2016-2020 in Butler County and Ohio*).

See a graphic and more information from the link to the report below about drugged driving and marijuana and opioids.



[Get Smart About Drugs -- a DEA resource for parents, educators & caregivers](#)



## Middletown Youth Coalition

Have you heard about us? We'd love for you to learn more about our efforts to bridge the gaps between our area's youth and adults. We are a youth-led coalition.

Check out our page on Facebook and be on the lookout for our future efforts:

[Middletown Youth Coalition](#)

## In the News



The national enforcement campaign, "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over", runs August 19 - Sept. 7. September has historically been a high OVI-related fatality month in Butler County and awareness activities around this makes our efforts that much more important.

Check out the Drive Sober Video PSA we created with the help of some local microbreweries:

[Butler County Partners with Local Bars and Restaurants](#)