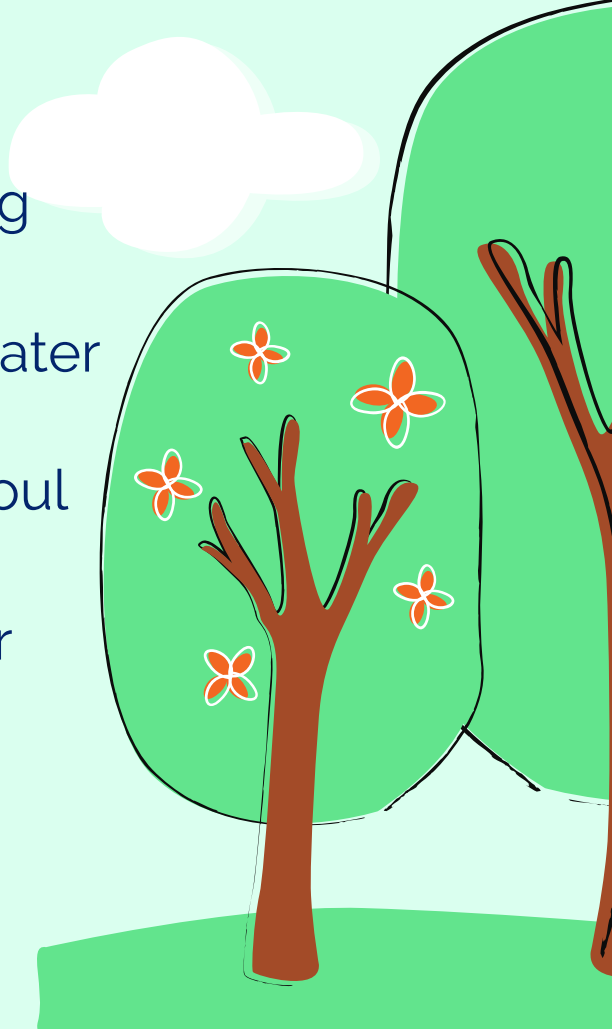


HELP KEEP OUR BEACHES SAFE, CLEAN & FUN!



Practice safe swimming & prevent water illnesses

- Do not feed the birds
- Keep pets off the beach
- Use the restroom before swimming
- Do not swallow lake water
- Wash your hands with soap and water before eating
- Do not swim in water that smells foul
- Shower when you return home
- Avoid swimming immediately after heavy rainfall



BEACH WATER IS CURRENTLY NOT BEING TESTED FOR BACTERIA

→ why?

With the testing we have available, it takes 18-24 hours to get results of a water sample. If results came back reporting high counts of E.coli, we would close the beach. The following day, we would test the water again and the samples would come back within normal limits. So beaches were open when there were high E.coli counts and closed when the counts were low, due to the nature of the test.

Allegan County beaches typically have acceptable E.coli levels unless there is a significant rain event or some form of pollution enters the watershed.

Beach goers are welcome at all Allegan County and State run beaches.

Please use good judgment when visiting the beach, follow the steps above to prevent recreational water illness and have fun.