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COVID-19 Status Report
Oak Park Village Board of Trustees

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For: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

The memo is a weekly status report presented Wednesdays and provides a brief summary of information regarding Village of Oak Park operational activities in response to COVID-19.

New COVID-19 Cases

The Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received official notification of 125 COVID-19 cases from June 15-22, 2022. This is a 31.3% decrease over the last 7-day period and a 63.3% decrease over the cases 30 days ago.

COVID-19 Community Transmission Rates

Based on the positive cases reported to the Village of Oak Park, for the week of June 15-22, our weekly COVID-19 rate of 229 cases per 100,000 places us in high community transmission. The CDC recommends tracking community transmission rates and using this to set control measures for hospitals and congregate living facilities. The state health department encourages tracking of community transmission rates for decision making around certain COVID-19 protocols in schools.

These numbers do not reflect those who tested positive using at home self-administered test. At-home test must be confirmed at an official testing site (pharmacy, physician office, health department, school, etc.) in order to be included in the official state count.

COVID-19 Community Levels

On February 25, 2022, the CDC introduced COVID-19 Community Levels of low, medium, and high. Oak Park is now in the medium level, as defined by 200 or more new cases per 100,000 (we have 229) and new COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population are less than 10 (we have 4). We expect Cook County to remain in the medium level this week as well. Our overall percent of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients is still less than 10% (Cook County reports 6.8% as of June 21), which is an 8.6% decrease from last week.

As Oak Park enters its second week in the medium community level, the health department wants to remind people of CDC’s precautions which include:

- Wear a mask indoors in public and on public transportation
- Stay up-to-date with COVID-19 vaccines
- Get tested if you have symptoms
- Take additional precautions if you, anyone in your household, or people you work with/serve are at high-risk for severe illness

Additionally, the health department is advising that you wear a mask when around the vulnerable, stay at home when sick, test at the first sign of illness (even if you think it may be allergies), isolate for a minimum of five days if you test positive and wear a high-quality mask if you reenter society prior to 10 days post infection, consider using a rapid antigen test before ending isolation as many remain infectious post their five-day isolation period. The health department has issued new guidance to aid our residents who have tested positive. Please see the COVID-19 guidance and order page for more information.

If you are a close contact, quarantine for five days and wear a mask for the remaining five days if you are not up-to-date on your vaccinations. If you are up-to-date on your vaccinations, mask at all times you are around others for 10 days, indoors and out, and get vaccinated or boosted as indicated.

During these summer months, consider hosting events outdoors and asking guest to test prior to arriving. As a community, we can do what’s necessary to keep each other safe and have our community levels return to low.

CDC’s recommendations on individual, household, and community level prevention strategies:

COVID-19 Community Level	Individual- and household-level prevention behaviors	Community-level prevention strategies (as recommended by state or local authorities)
Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you are immunocompromised or high risk for severe disease <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions (e.g., testing) ○ Have a plan for rapid testing if needed (e.g., having home tests or access to testing) ○ Talk to your healthcare provider about whether you are a candidate for treatments like oral antivirals, PrEP, and monoclonal antibodies • If you have household or social contact with someone at high risk for severe disease <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ consider self-testing to detect infection before contact ○ consider wearing a mask when indoors with them 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect people at high risk for severe illness or death by ensuring equitable access to vaccination, testing, treatment, support services, and information • Consider implementing screening testing or other testing strategies for people who are exposed to COVID-19 in workplaces, schools, or other community settings as appropriate • Implement enhanced prevention measures in high-risk congregate settings (see guidance for correctional facilities and homeless shelters) • Distribute and administer vaccines to achieve high community vaccination coverage and ensure health equity • Maintain improved ventilation in public indoor spaces • Ensure access to testing, including through point-of-care and at-home tests for all people <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Communicate with organizations and places that serve people who are immunocompromised or

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines and boosters Maintain improved ventilation throughout indoor spaces when possible Follow CDC recommendations for isolation and quarantine, including getting tested if you are exposed to COVID-19 or have symptoms of COVID-19 	<p>at high risk for severe disease to ensure they know how to get rapid testing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure access and equity in vaccination, testing, treatment, community outreach, support services for disproportionately affected populations

¹At all levels, people can wear a mask based on personal preference, informed by personal level of risk. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask.

Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/community-levels.html>

Deaths

There were 0 reported deaths to residents from COVID-19 in the community for this time period.

Oak Park Residents Vaccinated

Oak Park reports 88% of residents receiving their first dose and 82% completing their primary vaccination series.

On March 30, 2022, the CDC approved an additional booster for certain populations:

- Everyone 50 and older
- Age 12 and older who are moderately or severely immunocompromised
- Age 18-49 who received a J&J vaccine and a J&J booster

On May 19, 2022, the CDC approved boosters for children ages 5-11. On June 18, 2022, the CDC expanded eligibility for vaccination to children 6 months through 5 years of age.

Everyone must be at least four months post their initial booster to qualify.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is hosting vaccination clinics for anyone age 6 months and older who need their first, second, or booster dose. Check the Village of Oak Park website for up-to-date clinic information and to register.

- Tuesday, June 28, 4 pm-7 pm at Cheney Mansion, 220 N. Euclid Ave.

Age Range Data

Oak Park residents who tested positive for COVID-19 ranged in age from infancy to 95 years.

Age Range	Cases June 15-22	% of Cases June 15-22
0-4	3	2.4%
5-13	4	3.2%
14-19	8	6.4%
20-29	14	11.2%
30-39	27	21.6%
40-49	28	22.4%
50-59	18	14.4%
60-69	9	7.2%
70-79	7	5.6%
80-89	5	4%
90-99	2	1.6%
Total	125	