

Town of Fairfield News

12/28/2021 - 12.28 TOWN UPDATE | COVID TEST KITS



Fairfielders,

Yesterday, I participated in a state wide conference call with the Governor's office, the Commissioners of the Department of Public Health and the Department of Administrative Services, and other Chief Elected Officials, prior to the Governor's announcement regarding the state distribution of 3 million test kits. The first phase of this initiative will include the distribution of 500,000 test kits, each containing two tests, for a total of one million tests for Connecticut residents. School districts will receive a separate allotment early in January.

We have confirmed that Fairfield will be receiving approximately 7,710 kits to distribute to residents, 2 tests per kit. With Fairfield's population at 61,000 residents the amount the state is providing doesn't allow for all our residents to receive a test kit. Therefore the Emergency Management Team felt it was important to prioritize the distribution for residents that are experiencing symptoms or have been exposed to someone who tested positive.

We were told that we should receive the test kits Thursday morning in Fairfield, and have prepared for a distribution event for Fairfield residents.

This Thursday, December 30, from 12-5pm, or until supplies last, the Town will host a test-kit distribution at Roger Ludlowe Middle School, with all traffic entering at 440 Mill Plain Road, adjacent to Sturges Park.

- Due to limited supply at this time, test kits are intended for residents that are symptomatic or that have a known exposure to someone who tested positive

- **Proof of residency via your valid 2021 Fairfield beach or dump sticker, OR a driver's license**

- **2 kits (4 tests) will be distributed per household**

Residents must enter the site from Mill Plain Road. The Fairfield Police Department will be managing traffic, and I ask that you please follow the directional signs and cones to keep the flow of traffic moving quickly.

Before Christmas, I taped a video with our Director of Health Sands Cleary to share information with our community. For those residents who are not on Facebook, I wanted to provide a [link to the video](#) with a COVID update.

I know some of our residents are concerned about the high transmission rate of Omicron. I thought it might be helpful to share with you the Town's contact tracers are finding that the majority of positive cases are coming from household exposures, during at-home gatherings, Thanksgiving day celebrations and other holiday parties, and not typically from short visits to the grocery store or retail shops. I continue to encourage our residents to follow the CDC guidelines that recommend wearing a mask when indoors, especially when a six foot distance from others can't be maintained.

I've also provided more information below on vaccines, testing locations, new CDC guidelines and other resources which may be helpful.

Sincerely,



Brenda L. Kupchick

[Vaccines](#)

[Health Data](#)

[CT COVID Page](#)

Visit www.vaccine.gov for booster & vaccine locations

Testing Locations in Fairfield

COVID-19 RAPID & PCR TESTING SITES

DOCS Urgent Care COVID- 19 Rapid Testing Site - Fairfield

525 Tunxis Hill Cut Off, Fairfield | 203-870-1973

All ages; individuals with or without (asymptomatic) symptoms. Appointment is required. Individuals should book their appointment online and complete an online registration and consent process prior to their appointment time. <https://docsmedicalgroup.com>

CVS PHARMACY – COVID-19 TESTING SITES Drive Up

1770 Kings Highway, Fairfield | 866-389-2727

961 Black Rock Turnpike, Fairfield

1- 3 or older can get tested;

Age 3-

15: Parent or legal guardian needs to fill out form and accompany patient to visit;

Age 16- 17: Parent or legal guardian needs to fill out form. Individuals with symptoms, as well as healthcare workers and older adults are being prioritized for testing. Individuals without symptoms who have been exposed to the virus can also be tested, depending on capacity. Appointment required. <https://www.cvs.com/minuteclinic/covid-19-testing>

AFC URGENT CARE - COVID 19 TESTING SITES

1918 Black Rock Turnpike, Fairfield | 203-583-8400

Ages 18+; individuals with or without (asymptomatic) symptoms.

Appointment required. <https://www.afcurgentcarefairfield.com/>

YALE-NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL - YALE NEW HAVEN HEALTH

309 Stillson Road, Fairfield | 833-275-9644

Individuals with symptoms, individuals with no symptoms, and patients scheduled for an upcoming medical procedure.

No appointments required.

<https://www.ynhhs.org/locations/fairfield-309-stillson-road-covid-testing.aspx>

YALE-NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL - YALE NEW HAVEN HEALTH

- Drive Up

140 Mill Plain Road, Fairfield | 833-275-9644

All ages; individuals with symptoms, individuals with no symptoms, and patients scheduled for an upcoming medical procedure.

Appointment required. An individual's doctor must submit the lab order for testing to Yale electronically or via fax. Once the order is received, the patient will receive a call to schedule an appointment. Individuals without a doctor can call the Yale New Haven Health COVID hotline at 833-275-9644 or visit

<https://www.ynhhs.org/patient-care/covid-19/testing/testing-locations.aspx>.

Individuals with disabilities may request a home testing kit:

<https://www.ynhhs.org/locations/fairfield-140-mill-plain-road-covid-testing.aspx>

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS - COVID-19 TESTING SITES

1305 Post Road, Fairfield

Website access only, No phone appointments

Ages 2+; Individuals without symptoms (asymptomatic).

Appointment is required. Individuals can register for \$0 out of pocket tests and appointment for collection following this link:

<https://patient.questdiagnostics.com/no-cost-covid-test>;

Or patients can go to any Quest Diagnostics testing location with a physician's COVID-19 PCR test order. Same day appointments are often available.

www.patient.questdiagnostics.com/no-cost-covid-test

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS - COVID-19 TESTING SITES

425 Post Road, Fairfield | Website access only, No phone appointments

Ages 2+; Individuals without symptoms (asymptomatic).

Appointment is required.

Individuals can register for \$0 out of pocket tests and appointment for collection following this link: <https://patient.questdiagnostics.com/no-cost-covid-test>;

Or patients can go to any Quest Diagnostics testing location with a physician's COVID-19 PCR test order. Same day appointments are often available.

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WALGREENS - COVID-19 TESTING SITES

(Kings Highway East) Drive Up- 414 Kings Highway East, Fairfield | 800-925-4733

Click on the Asked Questions (FAQs) link for Walgreens age eligibility: <https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing>;

Individuals with symptoms (a priority) or without (asymptomatic) symptoms.

Appointment required. Individuals complete online screening at <https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing>

To make appointment online: www.walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing

[Link to Testing Locations](#)

Quarantine & Isolation

Yesterday, the CDC changed the isolation and quarantine guidance, and the Connecticut DPH recommends following the new CDC guidance. The CT Department of Education is reviewing the new guidelines and is expected to provide more information later this week.

CDC Guidance

If You Test Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)

Everyone, regardless of vaccination status.

- Stay home for 5 days.
- If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your house.
- Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.

If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves.

If You Were Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 (Quarantine)

If you:

Have been boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months

OR

Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months

- Wear a mask around others for 10 days.
- Test on day 5, if possible.

If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home.

If you:

Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Completed the primary series of J&J over 2 months ago and are not boosted

OR

Are unvaccinated

- Stay home for 5 days. After that continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you can't quarantine you must wear a mask for 10 days.
- Test on day 5 if possible.

If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home

FAIRFIELD: For the latest information on Fairfield's case rate including charts and data, visit the [Health Department's COVID-19 Page](#).

STATE OF CT: For the most up-to-date information from the State of Connecticut on COVID-19, residents can visit ct.gov/coronavirus. You can also subscribe to text message alerts from the state by texting the keyword **COVIDCT** to **888-777**.



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