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East Hampton COVID-19 Update as of September 3, 2021

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TOWN REMAINS AT RED ALERT

East Hampton, CT, September 3, 2021 – East Hampton’s COVID case rates continue to hover at just over 2 new cases per day and the Town remains at the “Red Alert” level under the State’s COVID Response Framework with a daily rate of 17.3 cases per 100,000 population. Middlesex County is at Substantial Transmission Rate status as determined by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). The CDC classification of “Substantial Transmission,” is based on the reporting of 93.58 new cases per 100,000 population over the seven day period ending September 1, or 152 actual cases in the county. Residents and visitors are strongly advised to protect themselves and others by using masks, physical separation when possible and by getting vaccinated.

Masks remain an important factor in protecting the community and everyone is safest wearing a mask or face covering when close to others indoors. In order to help protect those that must enter Town government buildings to work or to conduct business, **masks continue to be required of all persons entering Town government facilities, including schools, regardless of vaccination status.** Additionally, the Town of East Hampton, the State of Connecticut and the Chatham Health District strongly encourage everyone to wear a mask when they are indoors at any public place. Individual businesses are encouraged to adopt their own policies to require the wearing of masks.

Additionally, all eligible residents are encouraged to become vaccinated as soon as possible. As of September 1, DPH information shows that just over 67%, or about 8,615, of the Town’s residents have received at least the first dose of the vaccines. The data further shows that about 63.1% of the Town’s residents are fully vaccinated, having completed all shots in the vaccine series. With about 15% of the Town population not eligible for vaccination, it is important that all who are able get the shot.

Further, people who are moderately to severely immunocompromised are now eligible for a third dose of the vaccine. People who believe they are eligible for a third dose should speak to their healthcare provider prior to seeking the third dose to be sure it is appropriate at this time. Many vaccine providers, including Chatham Health District, are now accepting walk-ins for all doses of the vaccine. Chatham Health District is hosting pop-up vaccine clinics in the community. Follow the District on Facebook or check



its website (www.chathamhealth.org) periodically to find out where clinics will be over the next few weeks. To learn more about how to find a vaccine provider, visit: <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/COVID-19-Vaccination-Scheduling-Options>.

For the most current updates and recommendations regarding COVID-19, visit ct.gov/coronavirus. For general questions, call 2-1-1. For information on Town services, monitor the [Town's website](#) and social media. The most recent state-wide data from the Department of Public Health can be found here: <https://data.ct.gov/stories/s/q5as-kyim>.

COVID-19 resources:

- Chatham Health District: <https://www.chathamhealth.org/>
- General vaccine information: <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/covid-19%20vaccinations>
- Online vaccination registration: <https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine>
- All testing locations (Enter ZIP Code): <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus>
- COVID-19 Community Alert Infographic: <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Departments-and-Agencies/DPH/Communications/Graphics/COVID-chart.jpg>
- COVID-19 Daily Rate Map is posted here at 4:00 pm on Thursdays: <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/COVID-19-Data-Tracker>.
- COVID-19 Vaccine distribution information is posted here: <https://data.ct.gov/stories/s/CoVP-COVID-Vaccine-Distribution-Data/bhcd-4mnv/>
- CDC County Transmission Data Tracker: <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>