

Good evening. It is 4:30 pm on Friday, November 20, 2020 and this is First Selectman Christopher Spaulding with a coronavirus update.

As of November 20, 2020 we have had **25 new positive** COVID test results for Weston residents since our last outreach on November 13, 2020. <http://wwhd.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Web-update-November-19-2020.pdf>

Before we all celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday please see these guidelines from the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health <https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Coronavirus/11052020-DPH-Holiday-Guidance.pdf>

For more data and updates from ct.gov please see here: <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/COVID-19-Data-Tracker>

For a current update of quarantines and cases in Weston Public Schools click here. <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1x9nswxZtZmRbMZwZXFzFnZeHNG1NR7v3AdgogI5pOtSF8/edit#gid=0>

To review school communications click here: <https://westonps.org/covid-19-communications/>

This virus has shown us that it only takes one infected person to spread COVID 19 to several others in intimate settings where no masks are worn or social distance is not maintained. Asymptomatic spread of the virus can occur in gatherings of any size. The state has just posted new guidelines HERE which limits gatherings to no more than 10 people. <https://portal.ct.gov/DECD/Content/Coronavirus-Business-Recovery/Sector-Rules-and-Certification-for-Reopen>

We urge residents to report positive cases directly to the Westport/Weston Health Department <http://wwhd.org/> so contact tracing can be started immediately in order to contain the spread of the virus. The office line is 203 227 9571

Since November 11, 2020 there have been 355 negative tests in Weston. See here for data: <https://data.ct.gov/Health-and-Human-Services/COVID-19-Tests-Cases-and-Deaths-By-Town-/28fr-iqnx>

Keeping our schools open and operating our town safely is a priority. With that in mind, we continue to ask residents to practice social distancing when out in public, wear masks, and wash/sanitize hands frequently.

Please do your part in stopping the spread of the virus.

We remind you that COVID testing is available at area hospitals and urgent care facilities as well as at St. Vincent's Behavioral Health Facility on Long Lots Road. You can call to book an appointment at 1-860-972-8100. No prescription is required.

Note, if you travel to any of the states or countries on the list <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/travel> (except for less than 24 hours), you must quarantine for 14 days upon your return home or fulfill the testing requirements outlined in Executive Order 9B and complete the travel form found on the state's coronavirus website found here: <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/travel>

**Have a Happy Thanksgiving, wear your masks, wash your hands, practice social distancing and stay safe.**

*\*\*numbers collated from separate sources and are subject to change, please see the links provided for further information.*