

Good afternoon. It is Friday, March 19, 2021 and this is First Selectman Christopher Spaulding with a coronavirus update.

As of March 18, 2021 we have had 22 new positive COVID test results, of Weston residents since our last outreach on March 12, 2021. <http://wwhd.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Web-update-March-18-2021.pdf>

Connecticut is currently allowing people age 45+ to register for a COVID-19 vaccine

Last week Governor Lamont released a schedule for the vaccine rollout plan moving forward, the schedule is primarily age based and is as follows:

- March 19, 2021: Expands to age group 45 to 54
- April 5, 2021: Expands to age group 16 to 44

Please see here for the Westport/ Weston Health District COVID 19 Vaccine information page with links to the various vaccination appointment tools like VAMS, Hartford Healthcare, Yale New Haven Health, and Stamford Health. <http://wwhd.org/covid-19-updates-2/>

As of today, March 19, 2021 the recommendations for reopening and gatherings have been updated, please see here for details: <https://portal.ct.gov/DECD/Content/Coronavirus-Business-Recovery/Sector-Rules-for-Reopen>

Please see here for updates from the school. <https://westonps.org/covid-19-communications/>

For a current update of quarantines and cases in Weston Public Schools click here.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1x9nswxZtZmRbMZwZXFZeHNG1NR7v3AdgogI5pOtSF8/edit#gid=0>

If you haven't done so already, consider signing up for the **COVID CT Alert App** – Connecticut's contact tracing program. Instructions on how to sign up are here <https://portal.ct.gov/coronavirus/covidalertCT/homepage>

Residents should also 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.

As a reminder COVID testing is available at area hospitals and urgent care facilities as well as at St. Vincent's Behavioral Health Facility in Bridgeport at 700 Main Street. You can call to book an appointment at 833 621 0600. No prescription is required. See here for more details <https://www.211ct.org/search/68508922>

A Travel advisory is no longer in place for Connecticut, however the CDC still does not recommend travel at this time. If you do decide to travel please see the guidance posted here for tips on what to do before and after travel. <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Travel>

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

We continue to ask residents to remain vigilant, practice social distancing when out in public, wear masks as required by law in Connecticut, and wash/sanitize hands frequently. <https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Covid-19-Knowledge-Base/Latest-COVID-19-Guidance>

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