

As you are well aware, Omicron cases are increasing. As such I wanted to give you sense of where we are prior to the holiday.

According to Westport Weston Health Director Mark Cooper, “the number of cases has exploded across the Northeast, including Weston. There have been over 80 reported new cases in the past week alone. The true number may be even higher since home test results do not get reported to the State. Of these new cases 43% are in fully vaccinated individuals, the fully vaccinated and who have also received the booster inoculation only make up about 5% of the new cases. The booster adds protection.”

**Since Friday 12/17 we have had 55 new cases reported to the health district. Total accumulated numbers for Weston are at 845. We anticipate these numbers to continue to rise.**

Please get vaccinated and boosted, avoid large gatherings and wear your masks when indoors and in public settings it protects you and others and please remember children under 5 still cannot get vaccinated.

Thank you again to our first responders who will be working through the holiday and who have been throughout the pandemic. We owe you an enormous debt.

If you do test positive for Covid please remember to notify the health department online <http://wwhd.org/> or call 203 227 9571.

We've managed through the pandemic so far and have continued to protect ourselves and each other. Connecticut has one of the highest vaccination rates nationwide. We will get through this just as we have done in the past as long as we do it together.

Stay safe and enjoy the Holiday.

First Selectwoman Samantha Nestor

Reminder: Masks are required in all municipal properties as well as the schools

#### **Helpful information and links:**

- The Westport Weston Health Clinic is running a series of Moderna Booster Clinics - dates are the following – see here to register: <http://wwhd.org/>
  - Tuesday, January 4th 9:30AM to 12:30PM
  - Friday January 14th 9:30AM to 11:30AM
  - Friday, January 21st 9:30AM to 11:30AM
  - Friday, January 28th 9:30AM to 11:30AM
  - Friday, February 4th 9:30AM to 11:30AM
- Please see here for the current COVID 19 Dashboard from the Schools –note that items in this COVID dashboard may not have shown up in the state recorded numbers. Data is updated regularly.  
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1x9nswxZtZmRbMZwZXFzFnZeHNG1NR7v3AdgogI5pOtSf8/edit#gid=0>

- Please see here to find a vaccination location near you <https://www.vaccines.gov/>
- Residents should still report positive cases directly to the Westport/Weston Health Department <http://wwhd.org/> the office line is 203 227 9571.
- COVID testing is available at area hospitals and urgent care facilities. See here for more details [https://www.211ct.org/search?page=1&location=06883&taxonomy\\_code=11048&service\\_area=weston](https://www.211ct.org/search?page=1&location=06883&taxonomy_code=11048&service_area=weston)
- We will continue to work with our Westport Weston Health District and share information and local clinic dates and locations as it comes available to us, see their website for more information <http://wwhd.org/> or call them at 203-227-9571.