

COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19

January 11, 2022:

The Town of Mansfield continues its community update on our website with our up to date information and important tips for the public as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more complete information, please see the town [coronavirus webpage](#).

- [Mask Mandate for all public spaces within Mansfield to take effect tomorrow](#)

Effective January 12, 2022: Due to the rapid rise in cases in the Town of Mansfield, the Mansfield Board of Health has enacted an emergency order requiring masks for all individuals aged two years and above in all indoor public spaces, places of worship, or private spaces open to the public except where an individual is unable to wear a face covering due to a medical condition or disability. This mandate will be in place until February 28, 2022.

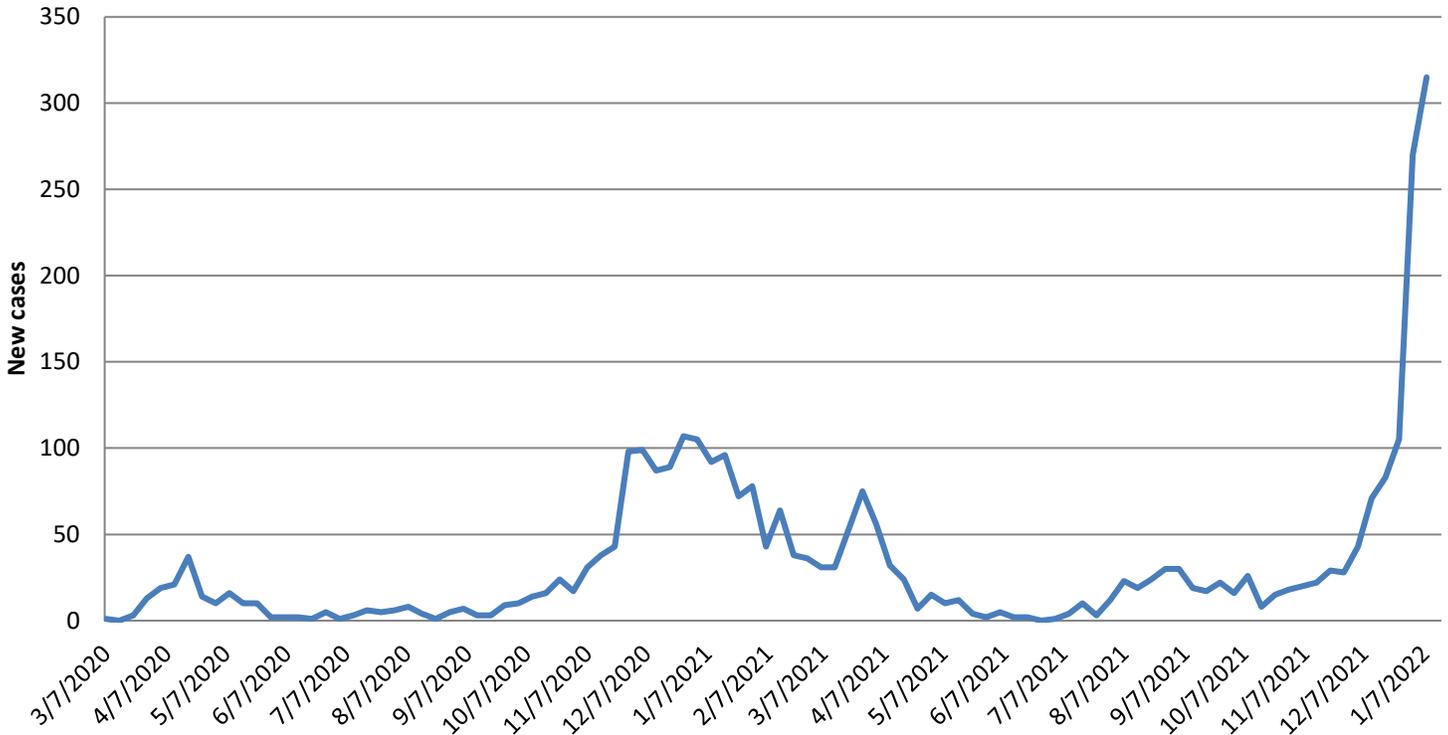
Additional information can be found on the Coronavirus webpage: [Coronavirus Information | Mansfield, MA \(mansfieldma.com\)](#)



- **As of today, please see the below chart that represents our communities COVID-19 relates cases:**

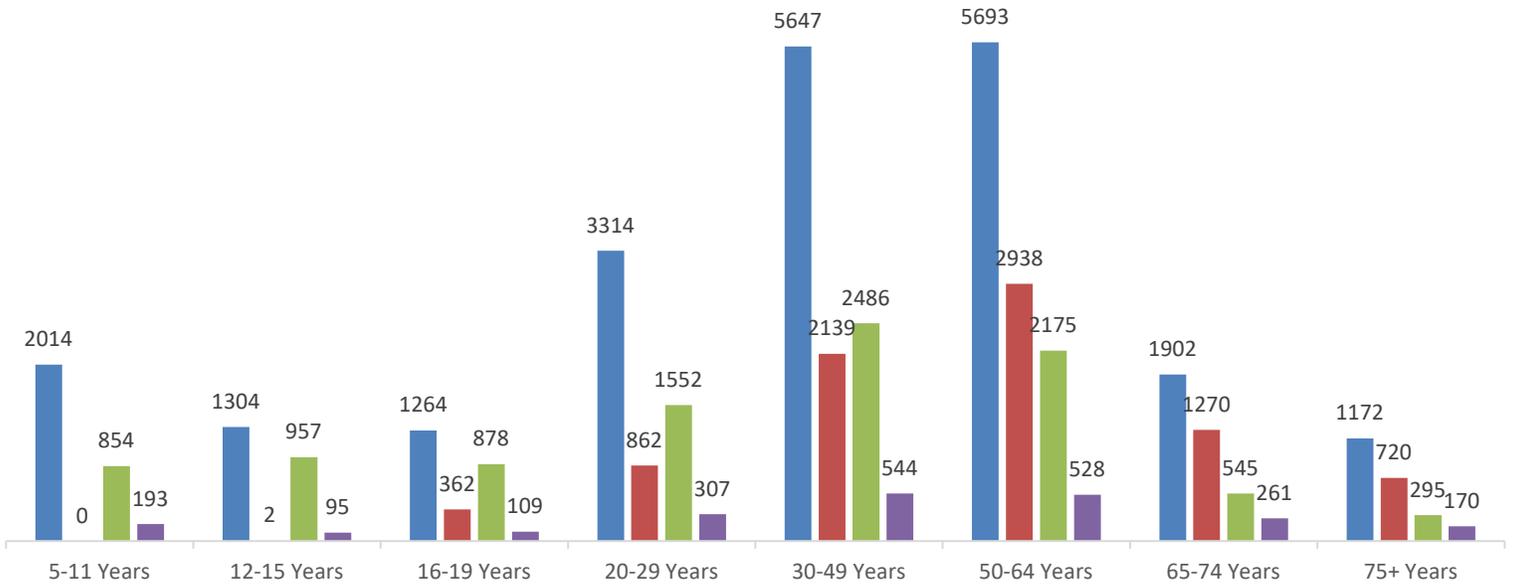
<i>Mansfield Covid-19 Workflow</i>	#	
Positive COVID-19 under isolation	395	(updated 01/11 08:00)
Positive Cases recovered	2993	
Total tested positive since beginning:	3417	
Covid-19 Related Deaths	29	Last Covid death in Mansfield 12/20/21

New COVID-19 cases per week March 7, 2020 - January 8, 2022



Vaccine Distribution in Mansfield- data through January 4, 2021

■ Population
 ■ Individuals with booster doses
 ■ Fully vaccinated individual, no booster
 ■ Partially vaccinated individuals



Booster doses recommended for 16+

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**Baker-Polito Administration Launches Tool for Residents to Access COVID-19
Digital Vaccine Card**

*“My Vax Records” Provides New Option to Access Vaccine History and QR Code to Verify COVID-19
Vaccination*

BOSTON – The Baker-Polito Administration today announced a tool that gives residents a new way to access their COVID-19 digital vaccine card and vaccination history. The new tool, called My Vax Records, allows people who received their vaccination in Massachusetts to access their own vaccination history and generate a COVID-19 digital vaccine card, which would contain similar vaccination information to a paper CDC card. The COVID-19 digital vaccine cards produced by the system utilize the SMART Health Card platform and generate a QR code that can be used to verify vaccination. The Administration is **not requiring** residents to show proof of vaccination to enter any venue, but this tool will help residents who would like to access and produce a digital copy of their record.

Access the new tool at MyVaxRecords.Mass.Gov.

How It Works: The new tool is easy to use: a person enters their name, date of birth, and mobile phone number or email associated with their vaccine record. After creating a 4-digit PIN, the user receives a link to their vaccine record that will open upon re-entry of the PIN.

The electronic record shows the same information as a paper CDC vaccine card: name, date of birth, date of vaccinations, and vaccine manufacturer. It also includes a QR code that makes these same details readable by a QR scanner, including smartphone apps. Once the SMART Health Card is received, users are able to save the QR code to their phone, such as the Apple Wallet, screenshot the information and save it to their phone’s photos, or print out a copy for a paper record. The system follows national standards for security and privacy.

This system provides an optional way that residents can access their vaccination information and a COVID-19 digital vaccine card. This will provide residents with another tool to provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination, should it be requested by businesses, local governments, or other entities.

The system leverages the Massachusetts Immunization Information System (MIIS), the official database used by health care providers across the state to record vaccination information. The system relies on hundreds of providers inputting demographic and health information. Some users

may not be able to immediately find their record, or may find an incomplete record. Residents whose record cannot be found or is incomplete can either contact their health care provider or contact the MIIS team to update their records. Learn more about the tool and view frequently-asked-questions at www.mass.gov/myvaxrecord.

Massachusetts has worked with VCI,[™] a voluntary coalition of public and private organizations which developed the open-source [SMART Health Card Framework](#) in use by other states. The VCI coalition is dedicated to improving privacy and security of patient information, making medical records portable and reducing healthcare fraud.

My Vax Records is just one way residents can obtain their COVID vaccination record. Pharmacies that administered the COVID vaccine and many health care providers also are making SMART Health Cards available, or are providing additional options. [Learn more](#).

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- [COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Shots](#)

CDC has expanded recommendations for COVID-19 vaccine booster shots to now include everyone ages 12 years and older. At this time, only the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine is authorized and recommended for teens ages 12 to 17. Learn more: <https://bit.ly/3HHFQ70>

Find out when you are eligible for a COVID-19 Booster:

- You can check if you're eligible for a booster at <http://mass.gov/BoosterCheck>
- If you are eligible, visit <http://vaxfinder.mass.gov> for a list of locations to receive a booster (or call 2-1-1)
- More info on the boosters can be found at [COVID-19 booster frequently asked questions | Mass.gov](#).

For Mansfield Public School students and their families, click [here to register](#) for the clinic.

COVID-19 BOOSTER Clinic

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

**Mansfield High School Cafeteria, 255 East Street
2:00pm - 7:00 pm**

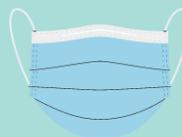
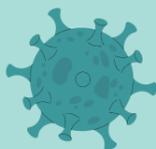
Mansfield Public Schools is partnering with Mansfield EMTs to provide a **Pfizer COVID-19 Booster Clinic**.

All students and family members age 12 and over are eligible to receive a free Pfizer COVID-19 booster 5 months after the last vaccine. COVID-19 boosters are free, safe, & effective.

Parents/Guardians must accompany students between 12-18 years old.

Please complete attached link: <https://home.color.com/vaccine/register/mansfield>

No insurance? No problem. All vaccinations are free. Questions? Please contact MPS Director of Health Services, Christine Dooling at 508-261-7559.



- [Bristol county identified as an area of high transmission](#)

Bristol county has been identified by the CDC as an area of high transmission for COVID-19. The CDC recommends all people, no matter their vaccination status, wear masks indoors and in crowded outdoor settings in areas of substantial or high transmission. More information can be found [here](#).

County	COVID transmission level
Barnstable	High
Berkshire	High
Bristol	High
Dukes	High
Essex	High
Franklin	High
Hampden	High
Hampshire	High
Middlesex	High
Nantucket	High
Norfolk	High
Plymouth	High
Suffolk	High
Worcester	High

Bristol County, Massachusetts

[State Health Department](#) 

7-day Metrics | [7-day Percent Change](#)

Community Transmission ● High

Everyone in **Bristol County, Massachusetts** should wear a mask in public, indoor settings. Mask requirements might vary from place to place. Make sure you follow local laws, rules, regulations or guidance.

[How is community transmission calculated?](#)

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Cases	9,315
Case Rate per 100k	1,648.04
% Positivity	27.51%
Deaths	36
% of population ≥ 5 years of age fully vaccinated	65.5%
New Hospital Admissions	239

Data from [CDC COVID Data Tracker](#)

- [Get Vaccinated Against COVID-19 for individuals age 5+](#)

People age 5+ who live, work or study in Massachusetts can be vaccinated. Sign up and be notified of appointments near you.

Use [VaxFinder.mass.gov](https://vaxfinder.mass.gov) to search for appointments at pharmacies, health care providers, and other community locations.

Council on Aging staff is available to assist any vaccine-eligible seniors who need help navigating the scheduling process. Please call 508-261-7368.

- [Testing for COVID-19](#)

CDC's online COVID-19 Viral Testing Tool can help you understand your COVID-19 testing options. Get started: <https://bit.ly/covid-testing-tool>.

Testing is our best tool to identify those who have been exposed and slow the uptick in cases. You should get tested for COVID-19 if you have symptoms or you've been exposed to someone with COVID-19, even if you're fully vaccinated. If you've had COVID-19 in the past 3 months and you've been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you don't need to get tested if you don't have new symptoms. Testing is encouraged regardless of vaccination status. <https://www.mass.gov/covid-19-testing>

The Town of Mansfield does not have any public testing or self-test kits available at this time. Please check the [Mansfield Health Department Coronavirus Information webpage](#) for updates.

- [COVID-19 Self-tests](#)

Self-tests may be used if you have COVID-19 symptoms or have been exposed or potentially exposed to an individual with COVID-19.

Even if you don't have symptoms and have not been exposed to an individual with COVID-19, using a self-test before gathering indoors with others can give you information about the risk of spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. This is especially important before gathering with [unvaccinated children](#), [older individuals](#), those who are [immunocompromised](#), or [individuals at risk of severe disease](#).

There are CDC videos available to learn more about self-tests.

[How To Use a Self-Test - YouTube](#)

[How To Interpret Self-Test Results - YouTube](#)

More information can be found here: [Self-Testing | CDC](#)

- [Mansfield Public School COVID information and dashboard](#)

For information about the schools and COVID, please see their School Health and COVID Information webpage: <https://sites.google.com/mansfieldschools.com/covid-19/home>

For more information about how to keep kids safe in school: [School Settings | COVID-19 | CDC](#)

- [Enable MassNotify on your smartphone](#)

Add your phone to the fight. Know if you've been exposed and help stop the spread of COVID-19.

MassNotify is a tool that works through smartphones, with a focus on privacy, to alert users who may have been exposed to COVID-19. You can enable MassNotify on your iPhone or Android phone to add another tool to our fight against the spread of COVID-19.

- By opting in, your device will share anonymous codes with other MassNotify users using your phone's Bluetooth.
- MassNotify codes contain no personal information or location data and are completely anonymous.
- If another user you've been near tests positive for COVID-19 within a 14-day period, you will be notified. If you test positive, you can easily and anonymously notify others to stop the spread of COVID-19.

[Learn how to enable MassNotify on your phone.](#)

- [Requesting a copy of your COVID-19 vaccination record](#)

There are several options to request a copy of your COVID-19 Vaccination Record. Please go to [Requesting a copy of your COVID-19 vaccination record | Mass.gov](#) for more information.