

TOWN OF HOPKINTON 18 Main Street Hopkinton, MA 01748

COVID-19 Updates & Precautions September 2, 2020 update

Previous updates and additional information and resources can be found here:

https://coronavirus-hopkintonma.hub.arcgis.com/

We are pleased to announce that Hopkinton Town Hall reopened to the public as of Monday August 10th. Appointments are required: click here for more information. All town departments are open for business. Many transactions can be completed online, and we are available via phone and email to assist during regular business hours. A full Town Directory can be found here. A box at the front door of Town Hall may be used to drop off correspondence, applications, etc., and they may also be mailed or emailed.

As of 9/1/20, Hopkinton's Health Department is reporting 140 total confirmed COVID-19 cases; 0 of those cases are active, with 127 recoveries and 13 deaths. You can see historical tracking and updates on Hopkinton's Community Impact Dashboard.

As of today's (9/2/20) weekly Public Health Report and Community Level Data Reporting issued by the Commonwealth, Hopkinton's 14-day Average Daily Case Rate (per 100,000) remains steady in the <4 cases per 100,000 (green rating). While Hopkinton currently has zero active cases, most of the five new cases over the past 14 days are attributed to travel. While Hopkinton, as a community, continues to fare well - this is a reminder that we all need to stay vigilant. A negative movement of the 14-day Average Daily Case Rate (per 100,000) to 4-8 cases per 100,000 would move Hopkinton into the yellow rating, and may negatively impact the school reentry, reduce the likelihood of Fall sports and jeopardize the health and wellness of the community.

Massachusetts Department of Public Health COVID-19 weekly Public Health Report- NEW UPDATE
The Weekly COVID-19 Public Health Report includes enhanced, more granular information to be updated on a weekly, or biweekly basis, including town-by-town case and testing information, cases and deaths in Long Term Care Facilities, updates on nursing facility audit results, and more.

https://www.mass.gov/doc/weekly-covid-19-public-health-report-september-2-2020/download

Annual Town Meeting - NEW DETAILS

At their meeting on Tue 8/18/2020, the Hopkinton Select Board <u>voted to reschedule</u> Annual Town Meeting to Saturday September 12, 2020 at 9:30 AM. The location has been confirmed, and ATM will take place outside at the Hopkinton High School in the "old bus loop" area. There will be one large tent, able to accommodate 200 people with socially distanced seating. Families, or those residing in the same household, will not be exempt from the socially distanced seating arrangements - and so we ask for your cooperation in not moving or relocating chairs. There will be additional seating outside the tent, for overflow, should attendance be over 200. Members of the Hopkinton Emergency Management Team, and Public Safety, will be on hand to usher and direct residents for parking and registration. The High School building itself will remain closed to the

public during this event. Portable restrooms will be onsite. In the event of severe inclement weather, the rain date will be Sunday September 13, 2020 at 1:00 PM. More details will be forthcoming.

Town Hall Reopening Plan:

On Monday August 10th, Town Hall reopened to the public **by appointment only**. This is due to the state's COVID-19 limits on building occupancy. <u>Click here for more information</u>.

Labor Day:

In observance of Labor Day, Hopkinton Town Hall and other municipal buildings will be closed for business on Monday September 7, 2020. Public Safety, as always, is operational 24/7. In the event of an emergency, please call 911.

Hopkinton Youth and Family Services:

A reminder that Hopkinton Youth and Family Services is here for you, and can be reached by phone at 508-497-9781. Additionally, you can find more info from the <u>Y&FS Basic Needs Resource Sheet for COVID19</u> or their facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/hopkintonyouthandfamilyservices,

Hopkinton Senior Center:

The Senior Center, with a grant from the MetroWest Health Foundation, has begun a limited take-out lunch program (Tuesday - Friday) for Hopkinton seniors, particularly those who are homebound and/or have relied on the Center for their daily main meal in the past. While we have limited quantities, if you know of a senior who might benefit from this program please call the Senior Center at 508-497-9730. Cost is \$2 per meal.

Hopkinton also posts frequently on social media. Our Twitter is the best place to keep up with all happenings Hopkinton. You don't need an account to see our twitter feed: https://twitter.com/HopkintonMA

Complete list of Emergency Orders and Guidance from Mass.gov https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-state-of-emergency