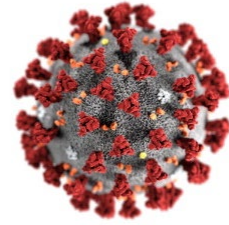




Mayor Brindle's COVID-19 Update March 9, 2021



The following COVID updates were provided by Mayor Brindle during the March 9, 2021 Town Council meeting as part of the opening remarks, which can be found in full [here](#).

COVID-19 UPDATES

- As you may have seen, yesterday the CDC released updated guidance pertaining to those who have been vaccinated, which states that vaccinated people may gather indoors without wearing masks, and a vaccinated person may gather with members of an unvaccinated household without masks, provided the unvaccinated people are considered low-risk for COVID. This is great and long-awaited news for many, and full details can be found on the CDC website.
- The seven-day average for confirmed COVID-19 cases in New Jersey is down 3% from a week ago and 8% from a month ago, and the rate of transmission is 1.05. On the vaccination front, New Jersey has administered 2,558,570 doses to date. As always, more detailed information about statewide numbers is available on the NJ COVID-19 Dashboard.
- It's important to note that March 14 will mark a year since our first confirmed COVID case in Westfield. I will have more to say about this later in the week, but tonight I just want to say thank you to every resident and business owner for persevering through an unimaginable year. When I ran for Mayor, there were many scenarios I envisioned, but a global pandemic was not one of them. We have asked a lot of you in terms of restrictions, patience, and sacrifice, and you have demonstrated the very best of Westfield. Thank you.