

Precautions Return to Prior Level

As you are all aware, our organization put in place some immediate restrictions in response to a spike in virus activity on our campus. These restrictions were in place between Friday, May 13 and Monday, May 23. Altogether, 17 residents and 11 employees tested positive, most experiencing mild cold-like symptoms. I want to thank you all for the outpouring of support we received for our actions, and I also want to express my regret for the inconvenience and interruptions these restrictions caused.

Since Monday, we have returned to the prior level of precautions:

- In-person dining is permitted in Taylor’s and the Bistro. Carry out food is still available if you prefer.
- Guests are permitted in all dining venues, as well as to attend LifeStreams programming.
- **Residents should always wear masks when outside your apartments.**
- Guests and visitors should always wear face masks when in any common or public area.
- Employees will always wear face masks when interacting with residents or when in large group meetings.

Please remain vigilant about your own precautions. The level of virus activity in Milwaukee County continues to be elevated, and your risk of exposure is high. While we can all be thankful the risk of severe illness or death is lessened, we should not become inattentive to basic safety measures like appropriate mask use, distancing when possible, and consistent handwashing.

COVID Booster Clinic Planned

Plans are now being made for an on-campus booster clinic to occur in early June. We understand that many residents have already sought a second booster in the past few weeks but want to make this opportunity available to every resident and employee. We had not scheduled one prior to this for two primary reasons. First, the CDC had authorized the *use* of a second booster but had stopped short of *recommending* one. Just this week, the CDC took the additional step of recommending the additional booster for all adults 50 years and better. Secondly, there is a four-month window after each booster before taking another is appropriate and we were (and are) concerned about the timing of the booster shot and the coming cold and flu season this fall.

We will soon communicate more details about the upcoming COVID booster clinic, including how to reserve your spot.

Saint John's COVID Case Update

		March 2020 - April 2022		New cases May 2022		Total Cases as of 5/25/2022	
		Cases	Fatalities	Cases	Fatalities	Cases	Fatalities
Residents:	Towers	21	0	17	0	38	0
	Canterbury	2	1	0	0	2	1
	Stratford	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Windsor	13	3	0	0	13	3
	Total	36	4	17	0	53	4
Employees:		108	0	11	0	119	0

Questions?

The weekly COVID Updates are produced by Saint John’s COVID Response Team. If you have a question for the team, please contact Matt Loyd, COO, at (414) 831 – 6953 or mloyd@saintjohnsmilw.org.