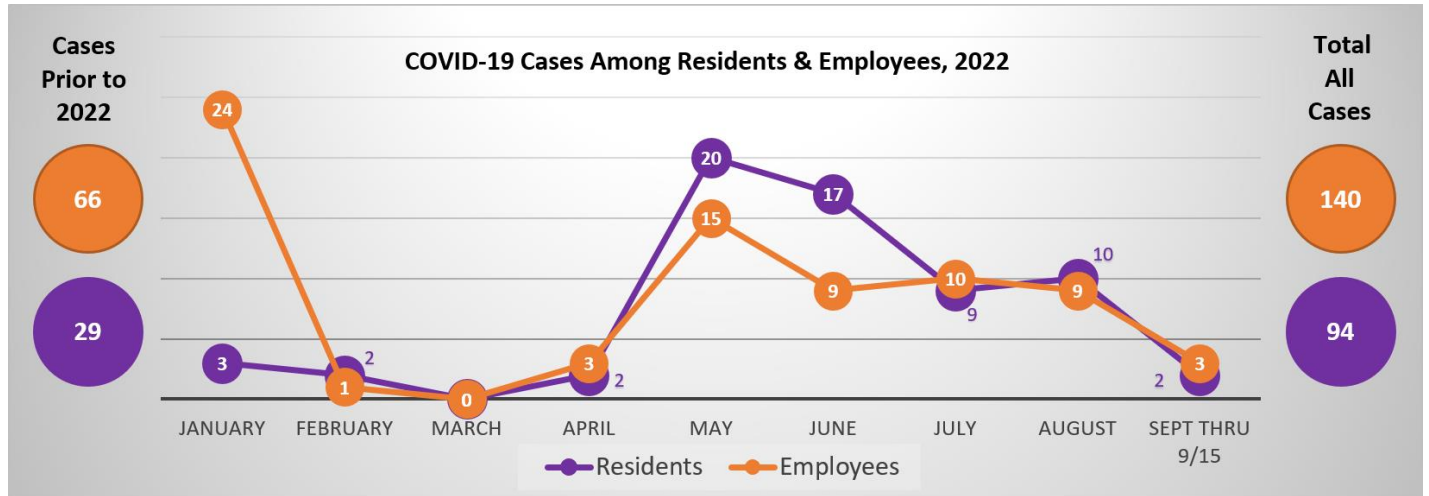


Milwaukee returns to “Medium” level of Community Transmission

In the past week, Milwaukee County returned to pre-Omicron-variant infection levels. While rates of transmission are still elevated (171 cases per 100,000 people), hospitalizations remain very low (3.8% of inpatient beds).

The Saint John’s experience mirrors the larger community – a spike in cases early in the summer, no serious illness among those affected, and a subsequent drop in cases:



As you can see, infection rates have fallen steadily since the Omicron and subsequent Omicron BA.2 variant spikes earlier in the year. At present, only one resident and no employees are COVID positive.

Current COVID Precautions

As a health care provider, we are maintaining a high level of vigilance to prevent the spread of COVID on our campus. As such, our precautions remain largely the same:

- In-person dining is encouraged in Taylor’s and the Bistro.
- Guests and visitors are welcome throughout campus. All visitors are screened for signs of illness.
- Guests and visitors should always wear face masks when in any common or public area.
- **Residents are recommended to wear masks when outside your apartments.**
- Employees will always wear face masks when interacting with residents.

Vaccination Clinic Scheduled

Mark your calendars: On October 20, Saint John’s will host another vaccination clinic offering the new bivalent booster vaccination from Moderna. The timing of the clinic was selected due to the proximity of our last booster clinic (June 22) and to provide coverage throughout the winter months. More information, including instructions on how to schedule your time slot, to follow. If you wish to pursue vaccination prior to October 20, please consult your physician or pharmacist.

Questions?

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