

December 28, 2021

Good evening,

This is First Selectman Jason Bowsza reaching out to all residents of the Town of East Windsor.

In the last seven days, we have had 102 cases of COVID-19 reported in East Windsor. This is by far the worst seven-day period of the pandemic. Our case rate per 100,000 people has risen from 14.7 on December 1 to 92.1 today. It is vitally important to stay vigilant, wear a mask, wash your hands, and get vaccinated.

Yesterday, the state notified us that they had procured at-home testing kits for each town in Connecticut to distribute in their communities. These are intended to be a stopgap measure until at-home tests are more readily available in January. The tests are supposed to be provided to the Town on Thursday morning. We will be distributing at-home tests free of charge on Thursday afternoon from 3pm to 7pm at East Windsor Town Hall, located at 11 Rye Street. To pick up a test, please park in the front parking lot of Town Hall and come to the front door. After 7pm, tests will be available at the dispatch window of the East Windsor Police Department, located in the main lobby, on a first come/first serve basis while supplies last. Proof of residency will be required, and families will be limited to no more than six tests per household.

We also have re-engaged with Priority Urgent Care to offer live virus PCR testing on January 5th from 9am to 12:30pm at the Town Hall Annex, located at 25 School Street. We will have about 50 tests available on a first come/first serve basis.

The state also notified us that they will be providing towns with N95 masks for distribution within the next week or so. I will provide additional details once we know more from the state.

Due to the elevated case numbers in our community, I have reinstated a mandatory mask mandate for anyone inside a Town-owned building, regardless of vaccination status. I have also suspended all in-person public meetings in Town-owned buildings until at least February 1st, although that date may be extended. During that period, public boards and commissions will be able to conduct meetings remotely.

I wish you continued good health.