

Town of Mount Desert: Covid Update

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Mask. Distance. Wash Hands. Repeat.

The Town of Mount Desert expects residents and visitors alike to abide by CDC and State recommendations for mask wearing, social distancing, quarantine, isolation, and handwashing. Abiding by these recommendations will help protect our island community.

Covid Transmission Update

- MDI Hospital confirmed 32 positive tests to date.
 - 26 Hancock County residents
 - 6 (non-residents)
- As of today 12/03/20, Maine CDC has confirmed 287 positive cases in Hancock County.
 - This is an increase of 64 cases since 11/25
 - The current case rate for the State of Maine is 93.8 per 10k people
- The current case rate for Hancock County is 52.4 per 10k people
- Mt. Desert Island High School confirmed early Wednesday that an individual associated with the High School has tested positive for the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). Designated staff initiated our response which included communication with Mt. Desert Island Hospital and the Maine CDC and following the Maine CDC Standard Operating Procedure for investigation of COVID-19 in PK-12 Schools.

The individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 will remain in isolation and quarantine as consistent with CDC guidelines. 7 staff members and 30 students were identified as close contacts. All of these contacts are either high school students or staff and have been notified and will follow quarantine protocols.

At this time we have the capacity to continue with hybrid in-person learning and as such plan to continue on Thursday with our typical schedule. We have followed all CDC and Department of Education protocols and are fully confident that school can continue safely.

- An employee of the Town of Bar Harbor has tested positive for Covid-19. No other employees were exposed. The employee is recovering at home.

[Maine Center for Disease Control](#)

MDI Hospital

- [MDI Hospital](#) Coronavirus Call Center :If you are having symptoms or think you may have been exposed to COVID-19, call your primary care provider. If you do not have one, reach out to our Coronavirus Call Center at 207-801-5900. **Remember: PLEASE CALL AHEAD**

Public Safety, Municipal & Hancock County News

- The next Board of Selectmen meeting is Dec. 7 at 4pm
- [Walgreens pharmacy in Ellsworth is now offering free drive-through rapid COVID-19 antigen testing to people experiencing symptoms of the virus.](#)
- 2021 Dog Renewal Licenses are available, [click here for more information](#) on how to renew online.

School Information: Mt. Desert Elementary & MDI High School

School Emails & Websites:

- [Mount Desert Island Regional School System](#)
 - [Asymptomatic Testing for MDIRSS](#) - Link to BDN article
- [Latest email update from Principal Haney and MDI High School](#)
 - [Chalk Talk Update](#)
- [Latest email update from Superintendent Marc Gousse](#)
- [MDES Newsletter Link : November 23](#)

Government News & Mandates & Resources

[Governor Mills: Latest Updates :](#)

- [Governor Mills Quarantining After Likely Exposure to COVID-19](#)
- [Governor Mills Marks 32nd Annual World AIDS Day](#)
- [Governor Mills Welcomes Plan to Combat Climate Change; Announces Actions to Protect Maine People & Communities, Spur Economic Growth](#)
- [Mills Administration Announces New Grants for Maine Health Care Organizations](#)
- [Governor Mills Launches \\$40 Million Economic Recovery Grant Program to Support Maine Tourism, Hospitality & Retail Small Businesses](#)

Other Government Resources

- [Maine DECD Website](#)
- [The Small Business Association](#)
- [CDC Guidelines](#)
- [Maine CDC](#)

Community Resources

- [Mount Desert Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Healthy Acadia Newsletter](#): 12/1

Acadia National Park

- **See latest alert from ANP: Current Conditions**

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