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Mayor Rilling Provides Local Update on Coronavirus

(Norwalk, Conn.) - City officials are working closely with partners at the state and federal levels, as well as partners in Norwalk, to monitor and respond to COVID-19, the 2019 novel Coronavirus. Statewide updates can be found online at ct.gov/coronavirus. Mayor Rilling provided the following Norwalk-area specific updates regarding COVID-19 coronavirus as of 5:30 p.m. on Monday, August 17, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there is one new positive case in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases to 2,153. There were no new deaths reported.
- COVID-19 community testing is available at the Day Street Community Health Center, 49 Day Street in Norwalk, Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. No appointment is needed and testing is free. This week, mobile testing will be held at Temple Shalom, 259 Richards Ave., on Wednesday, August 19 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.; at 40 South Main Street from 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. on Wednesday, August 19, and at Ludlow Commons, 11 Roger Square, from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Testing is available for those with or without symptoms. More information is available at chc1.com.
- The State of Connecticut recently updated the guidelines for indoor events at food establishments. Private events held at a restaurant or food establishment, for example a wedding or birthday party, are required to follow the capacity guidelines for indoor events of 25 people, and not the overall restaurant capacity. More details can be found at ct.gov/coronavirus.
- The seventh week of the Norwalk Adventure Clubs continues this week. The free online programming has activities for all ages and interests. A few highlights this week include story time for 2 - 5 year olds on August 18 beginning at 10 a.m.; an escape room for fifth - eighth graders on August 19 starting at 2:15 p.m.; blog writing for teens and adults on August 20 at 7:30 p.m.; and all-ages bingo on August 21 at noon. View the complete list of programs and required class supplies list at norwalkct.org/recreationandparks.
- The Norwalk Public Library Pop-up Truck will be visiting meal distribution sites this week from 12 p.m. - 2 p.m. Tomorrow, August 18, the Truck will be at Columbus Elementary School, on Wednesday, August 19, the Truck will be at the Carver Center, on Thursday, August 20, the Truck will be at Colonial Village, and on Friday, August 21, it will be at Ben Franklin Community Center. The Truck will be handing out free books and craft bags. Visit norwalkpl.org for more information.

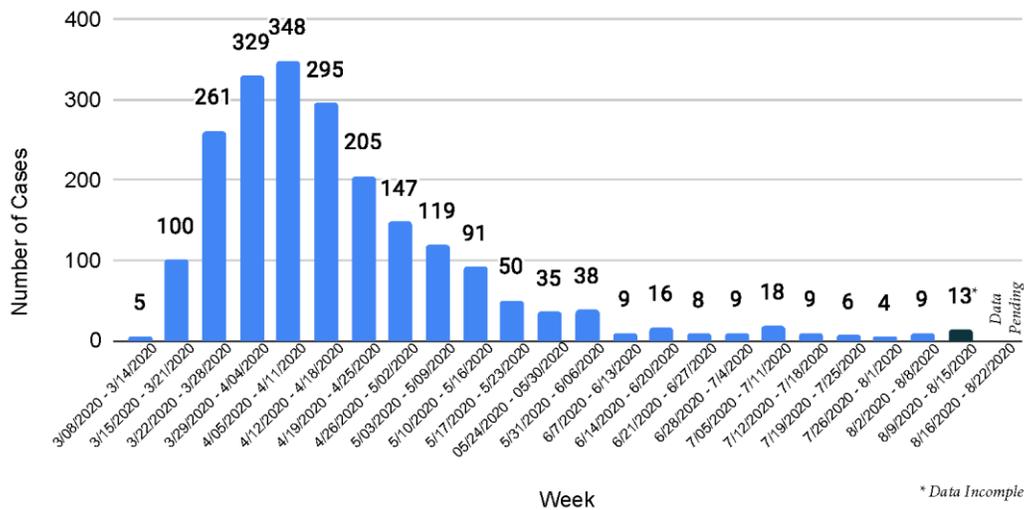
“I appreciate the Day Street Community Health Center for expanding testing availability in Norwalk. Having daily testing available at the health center, and having mobile events in Norwalk this week means more people can go get tested,” Mayor Rilling said. “I encourage residents, especially those working in customer-facing positions or the food service industry, to get tested. It’s quick and easy, costs no money, and most important, frequent testing will help slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community.”

Members of the public are encouraged to sign-up for the City’s CodeRED Emergency Alert Notification System at norwalkct.org/codered. Updates on City services, hours, and community resources will be routinely published at norwalkct.org/citynews. The latest health updates can be found at norwalkct.org/coronavirus.

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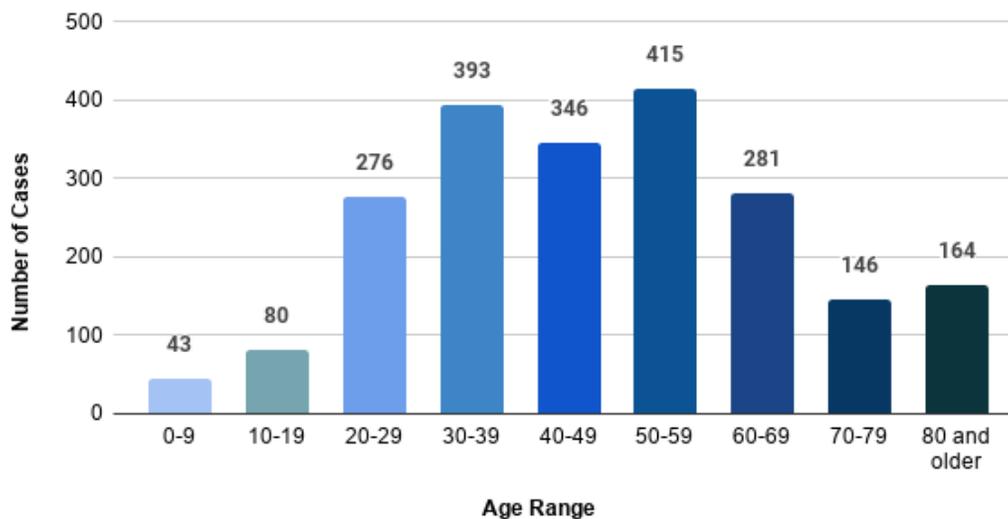
Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

Test results may be reported several days after collection. Does not include cases with missing specimen collection



Number of Positive COVID-19 Norwalk Cases per Age Group

Data are preliminary & subject to change. May not add up to total case count as demographic data may be missing.



Number of COVID-19 Norwalk Deaths per Age Group

Data are preliminary and subject to change

