



Town of East Gwillimbury

MEMORANDUM

To: Council

Date: April 20, 2021

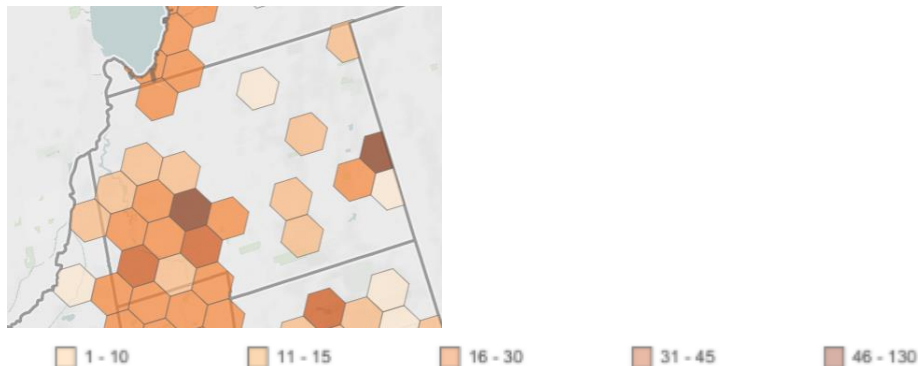
Subject: COVID-19 Update 2021-7

Origin: COVID-19 Control Group

The COVID-19 Control Group continues to meet and is in regular communication with Council, neighbouring municipalities and York Region. The group also continues to work closely with Provincial and York Region Public Health Officials regarding this public health crisis.

East Gwillimbury COVID-19 Data and Statistics

Residents can access COVID-19 data through York Region's website at www.york.ca/covid19. This information can be drilled down to show positive cases through an interactive dashboard for each municipality. This dashboard is available under *maps* at www.york.ca/covid19data. The below image and data is from April 15, 2021:



East Gwillimbury Metrics	April 5, 2021	April 15, 2021
Total Confirmed Cases	775	867
Total Resolved/Recovered Cases	720	778
Total Active Cases	52	85
Total Confirmed Deaths	3	4
Total Cases Reported in last 7 days	56	71
Total Current Outbreaks (Institutional and workplace)	0	5 (3 institutional; 2 workplaces)
Total Closed Outbreaks	32	32
Total Variant Cases Identified	88	160
School Closures	No closures reported	Moved to remote learning – effective April 12, 2021

Provincial Announcements – Stay-at-Home Order and Online Learning for Elementary and Secondary Schools

On April 8, 2021, the Province commenced at a [new stay-at-home order](#) for a least four weeks. Public Health measures outlined in this new stay-at-home order include:

- Limiting non-essential retail, including shopping malls, to curbside pick-up and delivery between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m.
- Restricting in-person retail sales to essential items such as grocery items, pet care supplies, household cleaning supplies, pharmaceutical items, health care items and personal care items only.

On April 12, 2021, the Ontario government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, made the decision to move elementary and secondary schools to remote learning following the April break. This move has been made in response to the rapid increase in COVID-19 cases, the increasing risks posed to the public by COVID-19 variants, and the massive spike in hospital admissions.

York Region Vaccination Updates – Supply continues to be primary focus

Vaccine supply continues to be a primary focus for York Region Public Health (YRPH). YRPH will continue to review anticipated shipments and will release vaccines as available and may temporarily close clinics as required.

As vaccines become available, there are various clinic types available to meet the diverse needs of York Region residents. Residents are encouraged to visit www.york.ca/COVID19Vaccine to identify eligibility availability. At this time the following groups are eligible for vaccines:

- Residents aged 65 and older may visit seven York Region clinics, the full list is available at www.york.ca/COVID19Vaccine
- Residents aged 60 and older may visit the Cornell Community Centre Clinic or the Soccer City location in Stouffville
- Residents aged 55 and older may visit the Trisan Centre in King or one of 37 pharmacies in York Region. a list of participating pharmacies and appointment booking information is available at www.ontario.ca/pharmacycovidvaccine.
- Residents aged 50 and over in high priority communities L0J, L4B, L4E, L4H, L4J, L4K, L4L, L6A, L3S, L3T, L6B, L6C, or L6E may book a vaccine at the Cornell Community Centre.

- Residents 45-54 in high priority communities L4L, L6A, L4K, L4J, or L3S may book a vaccine at the Georgina Ice Palace, Richmond Green Centre, Aaniin Community Centre, Canada's Wonderland or Maple Community Centre.
- [Additional eligibility](#) is available for essential caregivers, special education staff, individuals with high risk and chronic conditions, indigenous adults/families, faith leaders, and more.

Residents are asked to remain patient and watch for additional appointment bookings as they become available. Information will be released as available and communicated through www.york.ca/covid19, [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), print advertising and through media.

AstraZeneca Update

Residents are reminded that the best vaccine is the first one offered to you. Everyone is encouraged to [take whichever vaccine is available to them as soon as possible](#). The AstraZeneca vaccine provides substantial and sustained protection from the serious consequences of COVID-19, approximately 14 days after the first dose.

AstraZeneca has been approved by Health Canada and is recommended for residents 55 years of age and older by the National Advisory Committee on Immunizations (NACI). All approved vaccines in Canada are effective at preventing severe disease, hospitalization and death from COVID-19.