

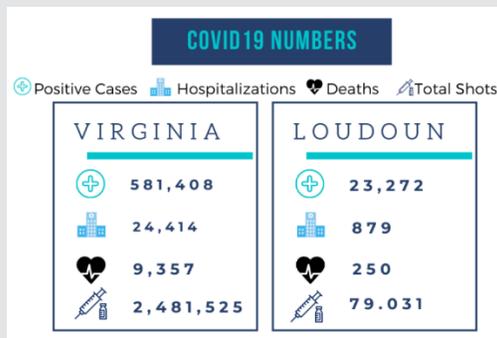


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COVID-19 Update



State and Local COVID-19 Data Summary

While the spread of COVID-19 remains at elevated levels, we have seen signs of improvement. Loudoun's seven-day positivity rate has slightly declined since February 25, with the latest seven-day average showing a rate of 6.7%.

Loudoun's data dashboard shows our seven-day average case count has decreased slightly from 66.9 daily cases on February 25 to 57.9 daily cases as of March 3. At the state level, Virginia's seven-day average of daily cases have also declined since February 25 where it stood at 1,456. By continuing to socially distance and registering for the vaccine when you are eligible, these numbers should continue to decrease.

One of Loudoun County Public Schools' CDC core indicators remains at a high risk level (231.8 new cases per 100,000 persons within the last 14 days). The Department of Education and LCPS now are using secondary indicators to help inform decision-making, including the move back to hybrid learning. The local school indicators can be seen here: Loudoun County Public Schools COVID-19 Case Data.

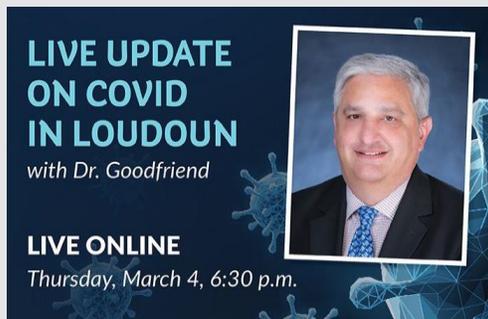
More data resources provided by Loudoun County can be accessed here.

View Comprehensive Data on the Virginia Department of Health Website:

- Cases, demographics, localities, outbreaks, testing, and more

- [Virginia's Key COVID-19 Measures](#)
- [COVID-19 Data Insights](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccinations Summary](#)

Have questions? Call the VDH hotline 877-ASK-VDH3 (877-275-8343). Language translation services available. Si usted tiene alguna pregunta llámenos al 877-275-8343.



Library Hosts Health Director for Virtual Update

Don't miss the opportunity to hear live from Loudoun Health Director Dr. David Goodfriend Thursday, March 4, 2021, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. The event will include a question-and-answer session. Details on how to participate can be found [here](#).

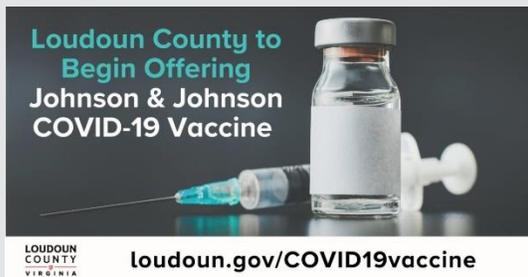


County Adds New K-6 Distance Learning Child Care Location

The Loudoun County Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services is opening a new location for the K-6 Distance Learning Child Care Program. The program will be offered at Lovettsville Elementary School beginning Monday, March 8, 2021. Registration opened Wednesday, March 3.

Loudoun County Government, in collaboration with Loudoun County Public Schools, developed the program to support employees and families in the community during a time when children would otherwise be in schools. Launched in September 2020, the program provides care for children in kindergarten through 6th grade whose parents or guardians work while their children are enrolled in distance learning.

Parents can choose from school-day sessions and after-school sessions for two, three and five days per week. Details about the K-6 Distance Learning Child Care Program, including schedules, fees, safety precautions and registration, are available at loudoun.gov/DLchildcare. Email casa@loudoun.gov for more information.



Johnson & Johnson Vaccine to be Used in Loudoun

Beginning Saturday, March 6, 2021, the Loudoun County Health Department will begin offering COVID-19 vaccine from Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson &

Johnson. The Food and Drug Administration has found the Johnson & Johnson vaccine to be safe and effective, and authorized it for emergency use.

- The Health Department does not recommend one brand of vaccine over another and those getting vaccinated will not be able to choose which vaccine they will receive. As Health Director Dr. David Goodfriend said in our [earlier blog post](#): "Ultimately, the best vaccine for you will be the one that is available to you first; each vaccine has been proven to protect against serious illness, hospitalization and death from COVID-19."
- Loudoun County continues to work as quickly as possible to vaccinate people who are on the waitlist in the order in which pre-registrations were received and in accordance with the mandated [priorities established by the Virginia Department of Health](#). The county is currently offering appointments to people who submitted pre-registration forms on January 19, 2021. If you have not already signed up to receive a COVID-19 vaccine, you may do so at loudoun.gov/covid19vaccine.



COVID-19 Vaccine Statewide Pre-Registration System Update

Virginia state officials report that they have made significant progress in resolving the issues that affected the "[Check the List](#)" function of the new [statewide pre-registration system for COVID-19 vaccinations](#). When the new system launched in mid-February, problems with the data migration process meant that many people who had pre-registered for the vaccine in Loudoun prior to February 12 at 5:00 p.m. could not find themselves in the new system. That issue has been resolved and those individuals should now be able to find themselves. It is important to note that the system will only tell someone if they are registered and does not report the registration date. Loudoun County is currently making vaccination appointments for people who pre-registered on January 16 in the [current priority groups](#). More

information on the vaccination efforts in Loudoun is available at loudoun.gov/covid19vaccine.



Governor's Updates

Governor Ralph Northam announced that Ceres Nanosciences, Inc., a life sciences company that makes innovative products to improve diagnostic testing, will expand its operation in Prince William County's Innovation Park to increase the manufacturing capacity of its Nanotrap® Magnetic Virus Particles for COVID-19 tests. The project will create up to 50 new jobs in the engineering, advanced manufacturing, and materials sciences fields over the next three years and help establish a stable supply of testing reagents to respond to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and ensure future readiness.

The Virginia Economic Development Partnership worked with Prince William County to secure the project for Virginia and will support Ceres Nanosciences' job creation through the Virginia Jobs Investment Program (VJIP), which provides consultative services and funding to companies creating new jobs in order to support employee recruitment and training activities. As a business incentive supporting economic development, VJIP reduces the human resource costs of new and expanding companies. VJIP is state-funded, demonstrating Virginia's commitment to enhancing job opportunities for citizens.



How to Receive Updates or get Questions Answered

Loudoun County staff continues to coordinate answering your COVID-19 health related constituent questions. Please call the Health Department COVID-19 Information Hotline at 703-737-8300 for a quick response (Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday

through Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or [Email the Health Department](#).

Please visit the [County's COVID-19 webpage](#). The [questions and answers](#) page is continually updated.

Please encourage your constituents to view and sign up for updates from Loudoun

- Text LCCOVID19 to 888777 to receive text alerts from Loudoun County about COVID-19
- Sign up for email and text updates on COVID-19 in Notify Me, Blogs category
- Follow the Loudoun County Government Facebook Page and Twitter @LoudounCoGovt

Excited Loudoun students on their way to school at Kenneth Culbert Elementary in Catoclin!



If you are having trouble paying your utilities because of COVID-19, help is available. Visit the County's webpage on [COVID-19 Utilities](#) for program information on:

Columbia Gas
Dominion Power
Loudoun Water
NOVEC
Washington Gas
Wi-fi Connectivity

For More Current COVID-19 Information

Visit: www.loudoun.gov/CoronaVirus

Call: (703) 737-8300

Email: Health@Loudoun.gov

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