

# CORONAVIRUS

(COVID-19)

## Situational Update

Thursday, July 29, 2021

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# WHERE WE ARE TODAY

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## Current Values (data through 7/26/21)

Level of Community Spread	Daily case rate		Rate of transmission		Test positivity rate		New cases from quarantined contacts	
	8.3 (Jul 26)	7-day avg. per 100,000 pop.	1.34 (Jul 16)	Effective reproduction number (R(t))	3.6% (Jul 24)	Percent positive from RT-PCR tests	9.4% (Jul 24)	7-day average
Health System Capacity	Percent hospital utilization		Percent COVID-19 patients		Mean test turnaround time		Diagnostic tests conducted	
	80.4% (Jul 26)	of available beds without surge	1.2% (Jul 26)	of daily hospital census, 7-day average	1.7 (Jul 26)	(days) 7-day average	3,012 (Jul 24)	7-day avg. per million pop.
Public Health System Capacity	Positive cases with contact attempt		Close contacts with contact attempt					
	90.0% (Jul 22)	7-day avg. attempt within 1 day	99.8% (Jul 24)	7-day avg. attempt within 2 days				
Community Engagement	Positive cases interviewed		Positive cases who provide close contacts		Mean number close contacts provided		Exposure Notification Opt-in	
	75.5% (Jul 24)	7-day avg. completed within 3 days	39.0% (Jul 24)	7-day avg.	1.2 (Jul 24)	7-day avg. mean per positive case	1,007,792 (July 14)	cumulative # of smart phones opted-in to official exposure notification system
	Correct mask-wearing		Percent full COVID-19 vaccine coverage					
	22.7% (Jun 9)	percent observed	53.3% (Jul 13)	cumulative Updated weekly.				

Data Source: DC Health





# DAILY CASE RATE

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District of Columbia COVID-19 Daily Case Rate  
per 100,000 population (7-day average)

Weekly Case Rate: **58.15**  
per 100,000 population



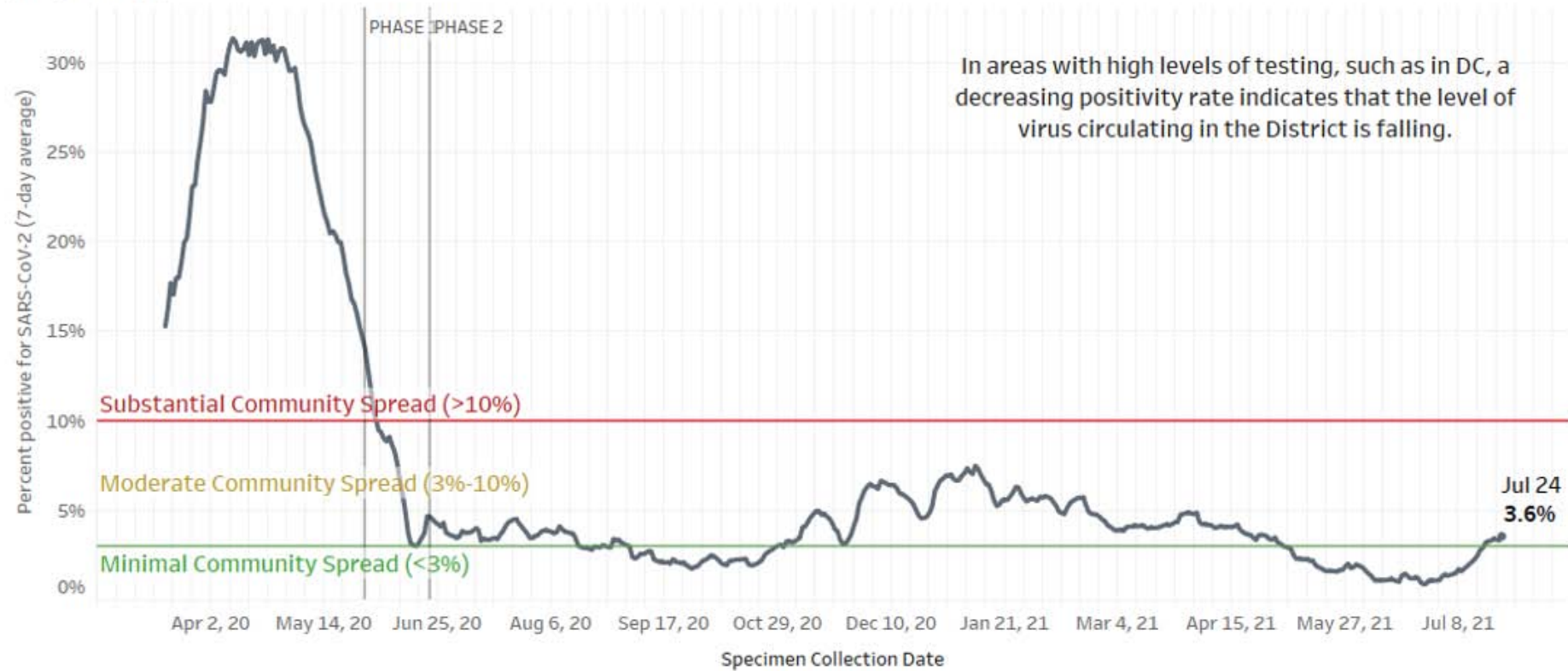
Data Source: DC Health. Data subject to change on a daily basis

Data Notes: The line represents a seven day average of the daily case rate per 100,000 population. The number of daily cases is subject to the timeliness of test results reported from laboratories and may not always reflect the number of new positive tests on a given day. Weekly case rate is the total number of new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days. Data reflect ongoing data quality improvements.

# POSITIVITY RATE

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Positivity Rate  
(7-day average)



In areas with high levels of testing, such as in DC, a decreasing positivity rate indicates that the level of virus circulating in the District is falling.

Sources: DC Health and Public Health Labs. Data are subject to change on a daily basis.

Metric Definition: Test positivity rate is calculated by date of specimen collection and takes the number of DC residents who test positive in a screening or diagnostic test, divided by the number of DC residents with an adequate sample collection for a test on that date.

# VACCINE COVERAGE FOR 12 AND OLDER

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TOTAL DOSES  
ADMINISTERED WITHIN DC

**885,972**

ESTIMATED % RESIDENTS PARTIALLY  
OR FULLY VACCINATED\*\*

**72.7%**

ESTIMATED % RESIDENTS  
FULLY VACCINATED\*\*

**62.7%**

% OF BREAKTHROUGH CASES

**0.05%**

Coverage (%) of fully vaccinated DC Residents 12 years of age and over by Ward

Neighborhood

Ward

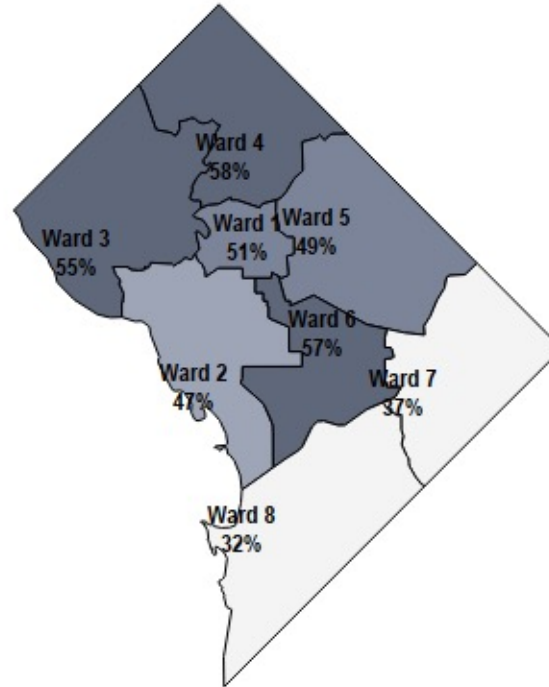
Count or coverage:

Coverage (%)

Mapped: 293,219

Not mapped: 1,153

Ward - Age Group



**Effective Saturday, July 31 at  
5:00 a.m., all people over the age  
of two must wear a mask indoors,  
regardless of vaccination status.**



# WALK-UP VACCINATION SITES (AGES 12+)

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## Anacostia High School\*

Tuesday-Thursday  
11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday  
12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

## Ida B. Wells Middle School

Wednesday - Saturday  
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

## Dorothy Height/ Benning Library\*

Tuesday and Wednesday  
10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Thursday  
12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday  
12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

## \$51 VISA GIFTCARD GIVEAWAY

\*DC residents who are 12 and older, show proof of residency, and receive their first dose of the vaccine at Anacostia HS or Benning Library can receive a **\$51 VISA gift card**. Vaccine Buddies can also receive a gift card at these sites for helping unvaccinated friends, family, and neighbors get vaccinated.



In June, we launched the COVID-19 Community Corps Ambassadors who lead a door-to-door effort to increase awareness about the vaccines connect residents to vaccination opportunities. The ambassadors focus their efforts in Wards 7 and 8.

## Since launching, Ambassadors have:

- knocked on **75,522** doors, engaging 31,988 residents
- engaged **6,842** residents at high-traffic areas (e.g. parks, plazas, and Metro stops)
- transported **219** residents to District vaccination sites in Wards 7 and 8



## New incentives will be available to DC youth between the ages of 12 and 17 who receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

- Youth who have not yet been vaccinated will be able to receive **\$51 VISA gift cards** or, for a limited time, **AirPods** at three vaccination sites what will only be open to District youth.
- Parents/guardians will also get one **\$51 VISA gift card** per child vaccinated at these sites.
- All District youth who get vaccinated or who have already been vaccinated will also be eligible to win an **iPad** or a **college scholarship worth \$25,000**.
- Additionally, 135 schools – all public schools that serve students between the ages of 12 and 17 – will also receive **microgrants** to fund their own events and prizes for students who get vaccinated.

**The youth COVID-19 incentive program will begin on Saturday, August 7.**

**Beginning Saturday, August 7 on-site prizes will be available to youth at three DC Public Schools:**

Brookland Middle School

Sousa Middle School

Johnson Middle School



These sites will operate four days a week from **August 7 to September 30.**

All DC youth can claim their free COVID-19 vaccine at these sites regardless of which school they attend.

At these three schools, youth can receive a **\$51 VISA gift card.**

Additionally, the first 400 youth to get vaccinated at each site will have the option to forgo their gift card and instead receive a pair of AirPods.

All DC youth, ages 12 to 17, who have been vaccinated against COVID-19 will be eligible to win an iPad or a \$25,000 college scholarship.

Beginning the week of August 30, for four weeks, student names will be drawn to win:



2 **\$25,000** college  
scholarships per  
week



8 **iPads**  
per week

If the student who is drawn has been vaccinated, they will win the prize.



# REQUIRED PEDIATRIC IMMUNIZATIONS

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Families are reminded that District law and regulations require all schools in the District, including private, parochial, and independent schools, to verify student compliance with immunization requirements as part of enrollment and attendance.

**Currently, the COVID-19 vaccine is strongly recommended for all students 12 and older, but is not considered a required immunization.**

Now is the time to schedule any missed well-child visits or physicals.

# REQUIRED PEDIATRIC IMMUNIZATIONS

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Beginning Monday, August 2, students and families will be able to schedule appointments to receive their required immunizations through **vaccinate.dc.gov**. Appointments will be at participating DC Public Schools and public charter school locations, and families can make an appointment regardless of a student's school of enrollment.

Families will be able to schedule their children ages 3-18 y/o for their routine childhood vaccinations that are needed to go back to school. Additionally, families will have the option to add on a COVID-19 vaccine at the time of scheduling.

There will be **2,000 appointments available each week**. Appointments will start on Saturday, August 7 and will run through the end of September.

## BACK TO SCHOOL DATES

**Monday, August 2:** Families can make appointments for pediatric immunizations at 37 sites across DC

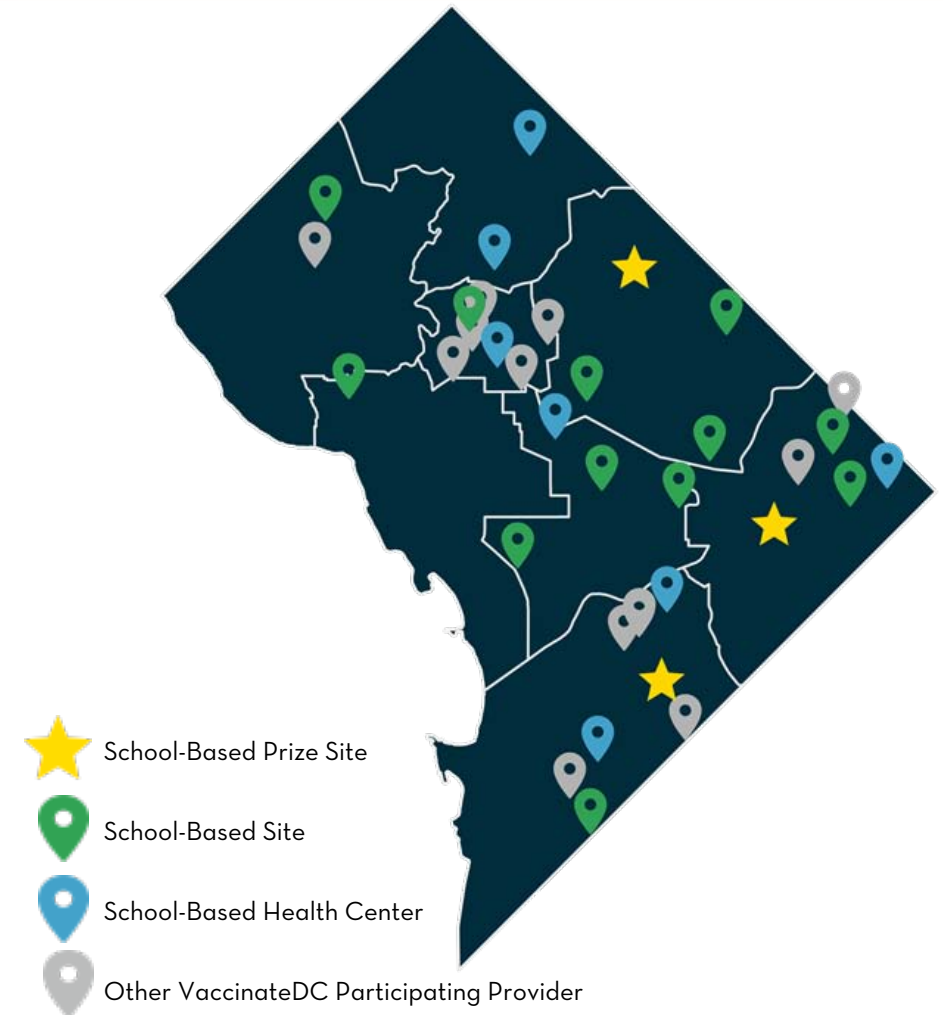
**Saturday, August 7:** Pediatric immunization appointments begin & youth COVID-19 vaccine sites open

**Saturday, August 14:** Back to School Community Event

**Friday, August 20:** First Day Back for DCPS Teachers

**Monday, August 30:** First Day of School at DCPS

**Thursday, September 2:** First Day of Pre-K at DCPS





Attend the DCPS Parent University sessions for parents and caregivers to learn from one another and hear from DCPS leaders about what to expect as the school year begins.

[bit.ly/dcpsparentursvp](https://bit.ly/dcpsparentursvp)

- **4 de agosto a las 5:30 p.m.** – Preparándose para Pre-Kínder: consejos para una transición fácil (¡Sesión en español!)
- **August 5 at 5:30 p.m.** – Getting Ready for Pre-K: Tips for a Smooth Transition into School
- **August 10 at 5:30 p.m.** – Getting My Child Ready for School This Year (all grades)
- **August 17 at 5:30 p.m.** – Accelerating Learning In and Out of the Classroom
- **August 19 at 5:30 p.m.** – Mentally Preparing Myself & My Child for the New School Year

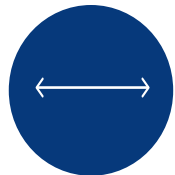
Updated guidance for public, charter, private, parochial and independent schools will be posted on [coronavirus.dc.gov/healthguidance](https://coronavirus.dc.gov/healthguidance)



**Masks required** for all indoors



Updated definition of **close contact** among students, per the CDC



**Social distancing** should be implemented to the greatest extent possible, but inability to maintain optimal distances should not prevent getting children back to in-person learning

To protect the health of our entire community, the District has started working with labor partners to create a **vaccination requirement** at DC Government.



# NEED A TEST? GET A TEST.

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Residents, workers, and visitors are reminded that they can still access **free COVID-19 testing daily.**

In addition to testing at fire stations, recreation centers, and other sites, individuals can still pickup free COVID-19 At Home Testing Kits at 16 libraries located across the city.

Learn more at [coronavirus.dc.gov/testing](https://coronavirus.dc.gov/testing)





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