



## COVID-19 Updates & Important Information ~JANUARY 28, 2021~

### Key Points About Vaccine Distribution in Loudoun



As Loudoun County and Virginia health officials work to refine the COVID-19 vaccination effort, here are key points to keep in mind about vaccine availability and distribution in Loudoun County.

#### **Are there any updates on our vaccine supply?**

Loudoun and the rest of Virginia are now in [Phase 1b of vaccine eligibility](#), which means that about 50% of the state's population is now eligible for vaccination. However, there are not enough doses available yet for everyone eligible to receive them. At our current supply rate, it will take months --- at least until March or April -- for Virginia to meet the demand for Phase 1b vaccinations.

Loudoun County's vaccine supply comes from the Virginia Department of Health, which allocates doses to local health districts, such as Loudoun, based on each district's population. Virginia, like all states, gets vaccine doses from the federal government. You can keep track of doses administered to Loudoun residents

through the [Virginia Department of Health's COVID-19 Vaccine Summary Dashboard](#), which is updated daily.

### **How do I get a vaccine?**

Currently, vaccinations are being distributed by the Loudoun County Health Department by appointment only. Individuals seeking to get vaccinated should first complete and submit the department's pre-screening survey. [Additional information about the survey process is available on the County's website](#). If you are seeking a vaccination appointment and have submitted your information to the Loudoun County Health Department, please be patient. It may be weeks or longer before vaccination appointments become available once you register.

If you are eligible to be vaccinated and your employer has not made arrangements for vaccination, you are encouraged to [submit an online pre-screening survey](#) to the Loudoun Health Department. This is the fastest and most efficient method to obtain an appointment for a COVID-19 vaccine. Employers can sign up using this same survey by selecting "organization" when prompted.

The Loudoun County Board of Supervisors has approved for the County to enter a lease arrangement to operate a full-scale COVID-19 vaccination point of dispensing, or pod, at a large site in the eastern portion of the county. As of today, this site is not stood up or open to the public. Once open, appointments will still be required via the process outlined above and indicate the site's address for those confirming appointments. The site will have the capacity to facilitate approximately 4,800 doses a day; however, the Health Department's ability to administer vaccine will still be dependent on doses received.

### **How do I find additional information and resources?**

Additional information about the ongoing vaccination efforts will be published by the county as it becomes available. You can find up-to-date information at [loudoun.gov/covid19vaccine](https://loudoun.gov/covid19vaccine). As we wait for the supply of COVID-19 vaccine to catch up to demand, it is more important than ever to continue to follow all [current guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) to protect yourself and your family against COVID-19.

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## **Local Student Seeks Loudoun Opinions on Confederate Monuments**

A current student at Potomac Falls High School who reached out to my office for assistance with a capstone project for her Advanced Placement (AP) Research class.

She is conducting a survey for authentic research and data on the controversy around Confederate monuments, both locally and in other places such as Richmond and Charlottesville, Virginia. She has narrowed the scope of her survey to Loudoun County citizens' stances and opinions regarding the display of Confederate monuments on public lands and how it affects different individuals.



In an effort to help a local student increase participation in her survey, we hope that you will consider submitting a response, no matter the opinion. The survey is open to all Loudoun residents and all responses are confidential and anonymous.

**Survey responses will be collected through March 1, 2021.**

At the end of the academic year, she will submit a 4,000-6,000 word research paper on her findings, as well as deliver a 15-20 minute oral presentation.

[Access the Survey Form](#)

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**Virginia Enacts First-in-the-Nation Permanent  
COVID-19 Workplace Safety and Health  
Standards Amid Pandemic**



Virginia's permanent COVID-19 workplace safety and health rules took effect yesterday, after Governor Northam approved the standard adopted by the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry's Safety and Health Codes Board last week.

The standards mandate appropriate personal protective equipment, sanitation, social distancing, infectious disease preparedness and response plans, record keeping, training, and hazard communications in workplaces across the Commonwealth.

[Read the Full Press Release](#)

## Loudoun to Host Free Twice-Weekly COVID-19 Testing

Loudoun County will hold twice-weekly, free drive-thru COVID-19 testing events at multiple locations beginning in February. Unlike past testing events hosted by Loudoun County, these weekly, fixed events will not be mass testing sites and instead are intended to provide regular, predictable testing opportunities for the community. As a result, capacity at these fixed testing sites will be limited.

**COVID-19 TESTING**

**February 2021**

**Multiple Locations** **Tuesdays & Thursdays**  
**10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.

LOUDOUN COUNTY VIRGINIA **[loudoun.gov/COVID19testing](https://loudoun.gov/COVID19testing)**

The events will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

- February 2 and 4: [Franklin Park, 17501 Franklin Park Drive, Purcellville](#)

- February 9 and 11: [Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park, 42405 Claudia Drive, Leesburg](#) (Enter the park on Crosstrail Boulevard from Sycolin Road.)
- February 16 and 18: [Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls](#) (Access the testing location in the back parking lot, near the senior center.)
- February 23 and 25: [Dulles South Recreation & Community Center, 24950 Riding Center Drive, South Riding](#)

[Get More Details](#)

## **'Work In Loudoun' Initiative Launches to Connect Jobseekers With Opportunities**



The Loudoun Department of Economic Development recently unveiled its new "Work In Loudoun" initiative, providing a suite of customized professional services to connect the region's workforce with open positions at

businesses in the county.

The program provides valuable resources to three key economic audiences: regional employees and jobseekers, current Loudoun businesses, and businesses or site selectors that are considering investing in Loudoun County.

'Work In Loudoun' is designed to provide value to Loudoun businesses and the region's workforce, including anyone seeking a new job, career advancement or career change.

[Learn More](#)

## **Important Updates on LCPS Meals Services**

Due to a chance of snow beginning Sunday, January 31st and continuing on into Monday, February 1st, 10 days of meals will be delivered on buses this Friday, January 29th.



## Important Information

These meals include breakfast, lunch, snack and supper for Friday, January 29th through Sunday, February 7th. Also on Friday, January 29th, walk-up meal service will include meals for Friday, January 29th through Monday, February 1st, due to the possibility of closure on Monday.

As a reminder, beginning Monday, February 1st, bus delivery of school meals will be limited to Mondays only with all meals (breakfast, lunch, snack, supper) for the week (Monday through Sunday) being delivered on Mondays.

Walk-up meal service at schools WILL NOT change. Walk-up meal service will continue daily Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at elementary schools and 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at middle and high schools.

Weekly delivery of meals for the month of February will occur as follows:

- Friday, January 29\* – Meals for Friday, Jan 29 – Sunday, Feb 7 (10 days)
- Monday, February 8 – Meals for Monday, Feb 8 – Monday, Feb 15 (8 days)
- Tuesday, February 16 \*– Meals for Tuesday, February 16 – Sunday, February 21 (6 days)
- Monday, February 22 – Meals for Monday, Feb 22 – Sunday, Feb 28 (7 days)

\*Note – Due to a federal/school holiday on Monday, February 15 – weekly meal delivery for this week will fall on Tuesday, February 16.

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**LC-CFRS "Give local, Save Local" Blood Drive  
on 2-12-21**



**BLOOD DRIVE**  
**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY, 12, 2021 9AM-3PM**

**GIVE LOCAL,  
 SAVE LOCAL**

**SIGN UP TODAY!**  
<https://tinyurl.com/LCFRBLOODFEB12>  
 or  
**1-866-BLOODSAVES**  
**(1-866-256-6372) CODE: 5245**

**COVID-19**  
 Antibody Testing  
ALL SUCCESSFUL BLOOD DONATIONS ARE TESTED FOR COVID-19 ANTIBODIES.

**INOVA**  
 Blood Donor Services

Make a lifesaving blood donation and support your Loudoun County and Northern Virginia community!

Please take a moment to sign up for the next LC-CFRS and Inova Blood Donor Services (IBDS) Blood Drive on Friday, February 12, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Oliver "O.R." Dube Fire and Rescue

Training Academy High Bay located at 16595 Courage Court, Leesburg, VA.

Sign up can be completed [online](#) or via phone at [1-866-BLOODSAVES \(1-866-256-6372\)](tel:1-866-BLOODSAVES) CODE: 5245.

IBDS is offering free COVID-19 antibody testing for all blood donors.

Sign up is also now open for the next two LC-CFRS sponsored blood drives on [April 16, 2021](#) and [June 11, 2021](#) at the Oliver "O.R." Dube Fire and Rescue Training Academy High Bay in Leesburg.

[SIGN UP TODAY!](#)

## Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging Virtual Programs

The Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging will host a number of discussions and events throughout February and March as part of their Virtual Family Caregiver Education Series. Please see the listing below for event dates and times, as well as contact information for questions and reservations.



Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging  
**VIRTUAL FAMILY CAREGIVER EDUCATION SERIES**

**Getting Your Legal Ducks in A Row: Legal Planning for Older Adults & Caregivers**

- Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm EST
- Presented by Valerie B. Geiger, Esq.

### **Caregiving from a Distance During a Healthcare Crisis**

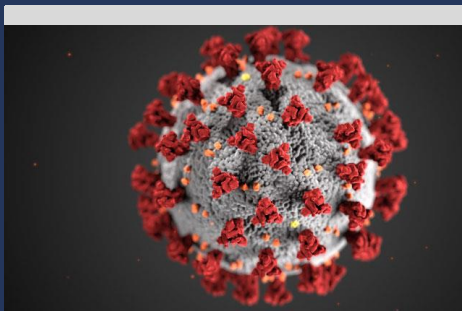
- Tuesday February 23, 2021 at 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm EST
- Presented by Jennifer L. Fitzpatrick MSW, LCSW-C, CSP

### **Taboo Topics: How to Talk to Your Parents About the Future More Comfortably**

- Thursday March 18, 2021 at 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm EST
- Presented by Jennifer L. Fitzpatrick MSW, LCSW-C, CSP

To register for these free, virtual programs, please send an email to [aaasupport@loudoun.gov](mailto:aaasupport@loudoun.gov).

## **Stay Informed!**



The county continues to encourage everyone in the community to take steps to limit the spread of COVID-19, which include:

- Wear a mask/face covering ([see requirements](#))
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at

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Loudoun County encourages residents to stay informed about COVID-19

- To receive email updates on COVID-19, visit [loudoun.gov/coronavirus](https://loudoun.gov/coronavirus).
- Text **LCCOVID19** to **888777** to receive text alerts from Loudoun County about COVID-19.
- Envíe un mensaje de texto con **LCCOVIDESP** al **888777** para actualizaciones



least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer only if soap and water are not available.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Avoid contact with sick people.
- Avoid non-essential travel.

diaras relacionadas con el coronavirus (COVID-19) en el condado de Loudoun.

Residents with questions about COVID-19 may call the Loudoun County Health Department's information line, 703-737-8300, or email [health@loudoun.gov](mailto:health@loudoun.gov).

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