



COVID-19 Updates & Important Information ~APRIL 29, 2021~

COVID-19 Vaccine Online Self-Scheduling Now Open to Loudoun Residents, No Pre-Registration Required



Beginning today, Thursday, April 29, individuals 16 and over can directly schedule an appointment online to receive a free COVID-19 vaccine at the Loudoun County Health Department vaccination clinic located at Dulles Town Center in Sterling.

The Health Department encourages all unvaccinated people age 16 and older who live or work in the county to schedule an appointment as soon as possible by visiting loudoun.gov/covid19vaccine. The website includes a link to the online form where individuals can request an account to schedule an appointment. An email address or cell phone number may only be used once to create an account. If an email address or cell phone number was used during the pre-registration phase, that contact information cannot be used again.

After completing the form, individuals will automatically receive an email or text message from the CDC with a link to create an account in the Vaccine Administration Management System (VAMS) and schedule an appointment at the Loudoun County Health Department vaccination clinic. With this change, individuals no longer need to pre-register.

[Get More Details](#)

CDC Issues Updated Guidance for Fully Vaccinated Individuals

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued updated guidance for fully vaccinated individuals, some of the updates include: Fully vaccinated people no longer need to wear a mask outdoors, except in certain crowded settings and venues.

Guiding principles for fully vaccinated people are now provided.

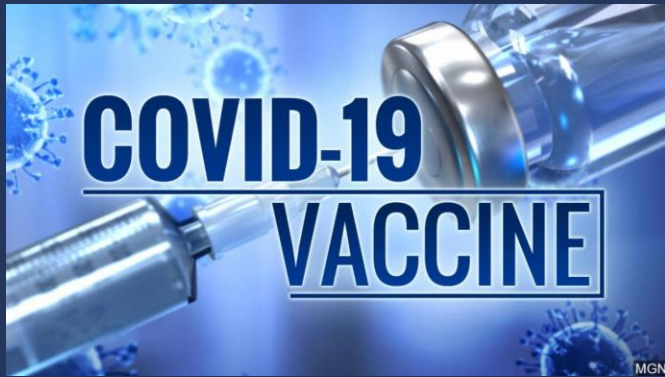
Clarification that fully vaccinated workers no longer need to be restricted from work following an exposure as long as they are asymptomatic.

Fully vaccinated asymptomatic people without an exposure may be exempted from routine screening testing, if feasible.



[Read the full updated guidance](#) | [Choosing Safe Activities Guide \(PDF\)](#)

What to Do If You Received the J&J COVID-19 Vaccine



After a temporary pause, CDC and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recommend use of Johnson & Johnson's Janssen (J&J/Janssen) COVID-19 Vaccine resume in the United States.

A review of all available data at this time shows that the

J&J/Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine's known and potential benefits outweigh its known and potential risks. However, women under 50 years old should be aware of the rare but increased risk of the adverse event called thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome (TTS), and that there are other COVID-19 vaccine options available for which this risk has not been seen. CDC and FDA will continue to monitor the safety of all COVID-19 vaccines.

[Learn More and Read FAQs](#)

Loudoun County Schedules Free COVID-19 Testing Events through May

Loudoun County will continue to hold free, drive thru COVID-19 testing events through May. The events are scheduled for Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., at the following locations:

- **May 4:** Franklin Park, 17501 Franklin Park Drive, Purcellville
- **May 11:** Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park, 42405 Claudia Drive, Leesburg (Enter the park on Crosstrail Boulevard from Sycolin Road.)

COVID-19 TESTING

May 2021

Tuesdays

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Multiple Locations

Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.

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- **May 18:** Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls (Access the testing location in the back parking lot, near the senior center.)
- **May 25:** Dulles South Recreation & Community Center, 24950 Riding Center Drive, South Riding

The testing events are free and open to all. There are no age or residency requirements. No prescriptions or appointments are necessary. A person does not have to exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 to be tested. A PCR test (nasal swab) will be administered, which tests for the novel coronavirus. No antibody or rapid tests will be offered. **No COVID-19 vaccine will be available at these events.**

[Learn More](#)

UPDATE: Sanitation Services Virtual Community Meeting



Thank you to everyone who attended Tuesday evening's virtual community meeting with our disposal service providers.

We had a robust and honest conversation on common customer complaints, how we can improve customer service and community relations,

and ways in which my office and the County can play a more active role in mitigating the trash collection issues that so many Sterling residents face.


As we continue to work with the disposal companies to improve on these issues, please continue to send complaints to my office via email at Tianni.Ivey@loudoun.gov so that we too can follow up with representatives of the area's disposal companies directly and help in anyway that we can.

Additionally, for your reference, below are numbers you can utilize to reach your respective company for questions and complaints:



American Disposal: 703-368-0500
Republic Services: 703-818-8222
Patriot Disposal: 703-257-7100
Bates Trucking: 703-212-9395 or 800-840-6454
KMG Hauling: 703-961-1100

Loudoun County Transit Resumes Fare Collection May 3

Loudoun County Transit will resume fare collection on all bus routes on Monday, May 3, 2021. At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors approved the waiver of bus fares; at its April 20, 2021 business meeting, the board voted to resume collection of bus fares as of May 3.



Fare collection resumes
Monday, May 3, 2021



- Local Fixed Route Bus
- Metro Connection Bus
- Premium Commuter Bus

loudoun.gov/buschanges

In preparation for this service change, riders are encouraged to review the fares for their trips at loudoun.gov/transit.

SmarTrip cards and/or cash will be accepted for all Commuter Bus, Metro Connection Bus and Local Bus routes. Riders of the Route 40 Purcellville Connector will still use cash only or the Virginia Regional Transit (VRT) punch pass.

[More Details](#)

In-Person Voting for June Democratic Primary



Upcoming Election

- June 8 Democratic Party primary.
- Vote early in person or by mail.

Vote Early April 23 - June 5

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All registered voters in Virginia are eligible to vote early in person in the county in which they are registered to vote. There is no pre-application required for in-person early voting.

Early voting hours are Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Closed May 31 for Memorial Day) with

extended hours to include Saturdays beginning May 29 at the Leesburg office and additional early voting sites throughout the county.

Exact dates, times and locations are posted at loudoun.gov/voteearly. **Early voting is available through June 5, 2021.**

Any registered voter may request an absentee ballot by mail. **The deadline to request a ballot by mail for the June primary is Friday, May 28, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.** [Learn how to request a ballot.](#)

Anyone who has not registered to vote in Loudoun has until **May 17** to register to vote in the June 8th election.

NOTE: The June 8 Primary Election will be a Democratic ONLY primary. The Republican Party will conduct their own process, so there will not be a Republican Primary on this date. Contact the local or state party for more information.

[More Information about the Upcoming Election](#)

Public Input Needed for Countywide Parks and Trails System

On January 17, 2019, the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors directed the Loudoun County Parks, Recreation and Open Space Board to develop a detailed implementation plan for an interconnected, countywide linear parks and trails system.



The system will provide a variety of functions and benefits, including recreation, alternative transportation, wildlife habitat, water quality protection, flood hazard reduction, aquifer recharge, erosion prevention, property value enhancement, economic development and scenic beauty.

Public input and engagement is a vital part of the planning initiative. Virtual workshops were held in February 2021, and the second survey is now available. Residents are encouraged to participate in the survey, submit comments and find more information about the Linear Parks and Trails system project at loudoun.gov/linearparksandtrails.

The deadline to complete the survey is May 20, 2021.

Inquiries and comments can also be sent by email to lp@loudoun.gov.

[Complete the Survey Today](#)

Virginians Can Enroll in 2021 Health Insurance Marketplace Through August 15



More Virginians who buy health insurance through [HealthCare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov) Marketplace may now qualify for financial help with those premiums. Virginians who already receive financial help could be eligible for additional savings on health insurance coverage following Congress' passage of the American Rescue Plan of 2021 (ARP).

Approximately 77,000 uninsured Virginians are newly eligible for tax credits that reduce the cost of their health insurance premiums. An estimated four out of five enrollees may

be able to find a plan for \$10 or less per month with these tax credits. A family of four with household income of \$90,000 could see premiums reduced by approximately \$200 per month.

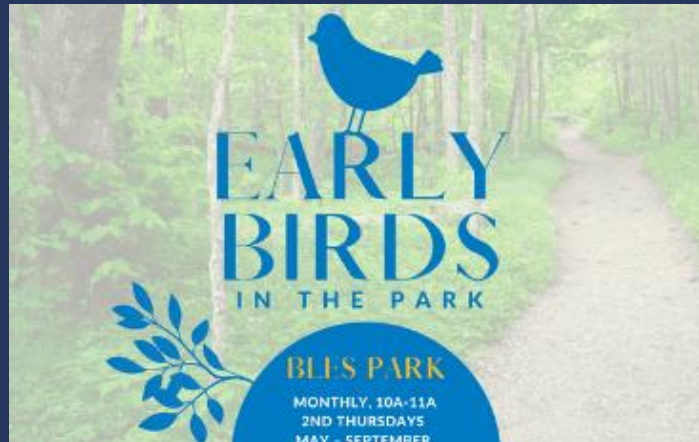
Following a Special Enrollment Period that began earlier this year, enrollment is now open through August 15 – no qualifying life event is necessary. If you already are covered through the [Marketplace](#), you will need to re-enroll to take advantage of the new savings.

[Learn More](#)

New Program for Persons with Early-Stage Cognitive Disorders

The Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging is starting a new monthly activity program for individuals recently diagnosed with a cognitive disorder and their care partners. "Early Birds in the Park" provides:

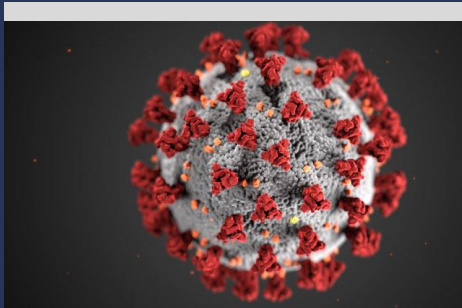
- A safe, accepting social environment.
- Therapeutic physical activities and creative stimulation guided by professional staff.
- A spirit of community through fun and friendship.



Early Birds, hosted by the Eastern Loudoun Adult Day Center, is held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month from May through September at Bles Park, 44830 Bles Park Drive, Ashburn, Virginia 20147. Participants are encouraged to bring a chair, hat, water, sun protection and insect repellent. Safety protocols will be in place.

The program is free; however, advance registration is required. Call [571-258-3232](tel:571-258-3232) for registration and more information.

Stay Informed!



The county continues to encourage everyone in the community to take steps to limit the spread of COVID-

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Loudoun County encourages residents to stay informed about COVID-19

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

- To receive email updates on COVID-19, visit 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 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.

- Avoid contact with sick people.
- Avoid non-essential travel.

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